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A

Prayer-Book for the Young,

AFTER FIRST COMMUNION,

INCLUDING

Devotions for Confirmation,

AND

A VARIETY OF OCCASIONAL PRAYERS, NOVENAS,
LITANIES, &c.



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As the "Child's Guide to Devotion," published some time ago, was intended for children before making their first communion, so the present is calculated for the use of the young after that period of their spiritual life. It will be found therefore to contain Instructions and Devotions for Confession, Self-Examination, and Holy Communion, besides a variety of occasional Devotions, Litanies, and Hymns, compiled from books already approved, which it is hoped will be found useful to the young of all classes.

As the method of hearing Mass in the "Child's Guide" will be equally suitable for the young who use this book, it is not here repeated.



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Devotions for Communion.

Preparatory Prayer.

LORD Jesus, King of everlasting glory, behold I desire to come to thee this day, and to receive thy body and blood in this heavenly sacrament, for thy honour and glory, and the good of my soul. I desire to receive thee, because it is thy desire, and thou hast so commanded: blessed be thy name for ever. I desire to come to thee, in order that I may be delivered from all my evils, and embrace thee, my only good. I desire to come to thee that I may be happily united to thee, and that nothing in life or death may ever separate me from thee.

Commemorate the Passion of Christ.

I desire, O Lord Jesus, in these holy mysteries, to commemorate, as thou hast commanded, all thy sufferings; thy agony and bloody sweat; thy being betrayed and apprehended; all the reproaches and calumnies, all the scoffs and affronts, all the blows and buffets, thou hast endured for me; thy being scourged, crowned with thorns, and loaded with a heavy cross for my sins, and for those of the whole world; thy crucifixion and death, together with thy glorious resurrection and triumphant ascension. I adore thee, and give thee thanks for all that thou hast done and suffered for us; and for giving us, in the most blessed sacrament, this pledge of our redemption, this victim of our ransom, this body and blood which was offered for us.

Make an Act of Faith.

I most firmly believe, O Jesus, that in this holy sacrament thou art present verily and indeed; that here is thy body and blood, thy soul and thy divinity. I believe that thou, my Saviour, true God and true Man, art really here, with all thy treasures; that here thou givest thyself to us, makest us partakers of the fruit of thy passion, and givest us a pledge of eternal life. I believe there cannot be a greater happiness than to receive thee worthily, nor a greater misery than to receive thee unworthily. All this I most steadfastly believe, because it is what thou hast taught us by thy Church.

Make an Act of Contrition.

O Lord, I detest, with my whole heart, all the sins by which I have offended thy divine Majesty, from the first moment that I was capable of sinning to this very hour. I desire to lay them all at thy feet, to be cancelled by thy precious blood. Hear me, O Lord, by that infinite love by which thou hast shed thy blood for me. I detest my sins, because they have offended thy infinite goodness. By thy grace I will never commit them any more: I am sorry for them, and will be sorry for them as long as I live; and according to the best of my power, will do penance for them. Forgive me, dear Lord, for thy mercy's sake; pardon me all that is past; and be thou my keeper for the time to come, that I may never more offend thee.

Make an Act of Divine Love.

O Lord Jesus, the God of my heart and the life of my soul, as the hart pants after the fountains of water, so does my soul pant after thee, the fountain of life, and the ocean of all good. I am overjoyed at hearing the happy tidings, that I am to go into the house of the Lord; or rather, that our Lord is to come into my house, and take

up his abode with me. Come, Lord Jesus, and take full possession of my heart for ever ! I love thee with my whole soul above all things ; at least, I desire so to love thee. It is nothing less than infinite love that brings thee to me ; oh, teach me to make a suitable return of love !

Humbly beg God's Grace.

But, O my God, thou knowest my great poverty and misery, and that of myself I can do nothing : thou knowest how unworthy I am of this infinite favour, and thou alone canst make me worthy. Since thou art so good as to invite me thus to thyself, add this one bounty more to all the rest, to prepare me for thyself. Cleanse my soul from its stains ; clothe it with the nuptial garment of charity ; adorn it with all virtues, and make it a fit abode for thee. Drive sin and the devil far from this dwelling, which thou art here pleased to choose for thyself, and make me one according to thy own heart ; that this heavenly visit, which thou designest for my salvation, may not, by my unworthiness, be perverted to my own damnation. Never let me be guilty of thy body and blood by an unworthy communion. For the sake of this same precious blood, which thou hast shed for me, deliver me, O Jesus, from so great an evil.

Implore the Prayers of the Blessed Virgin and of the Saints.

O all ye blessed angels and saints of God, who see him face to face whom I here receive under these humble veils ; and thou most especially, ever-blessed Virgin, Mother of this same God and Saviour, in whose sacred womb he was conceived and borne for nine months ; I most humbly beg the assistance of your prayers and intercession, that I may in such manner receive him here, in this place of banishment, as to be brought one day to enjoy him with you in our true country, there to praise him and love him for ever.

ASPIRATIONS AFTER COMMUNION.

Behold, O Lord, I have thee now, who hast all things. I possess thee, who possessest all things, and who canst do all things: take off my heart, then, O my God and my All, from all other things but thee, for in them there is nothing but vanity and affliction of spirit. Let my heart be fixed on thee alone; let me ever repose in thee, for in thee is my treasure, in thee is the sovereign truth, true happiness, and a blessed eternity.

Let my soul, O Lord, feel the sweetness of thy presence. Let me taste how sweet thou art, O Lord! that, being allured by thy love, I may never more run after worldly pleasures; for thou art the joy of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Thou art the Physician of my soul, who healest all our infirmities by thy sacred blood. I am that sick man, whom thou camest from heaven to heal: oh, heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

Thou art the good Shepherd, who hast laid down thy life for thy sheep; behold, I am that sheep that was lost, and yet thou vouchsafest to feed me with thy body and blood: take me now upon thy shoulders, to carry me home. What canst thou deny me, who hast given me thyself? Guide thou me, and I shall want nothing in the place of pasture where thou hast put me, until thou bringest me to the happy pastures of eternal life.

O true light, which enlightenest every man that cometh into this world, enlighten my eyes, that I may never sleep in death.

O King of heaven and earth, rich in mercy, behold I am poor and needy; thou knowest what I stand most in need of; thou alone canst assist and enrich me. Help me, O God, and out of the treasures of thy bounty succour my needy soul.

Thou art the Lamb of God, the Lamb without spot, who takest away the sins of the world: oh, take away

from me whatever may hurt me, and displease thee, and give me what thou knowest to be pleasing to thee, and profitable to myself.

O my God and my All, may the sweet flame of thy love consume my soul, that so I may die to the world for the love of thee, who hast vouchsafed to die upon the cross for the love of me.

ACTS OF DEVOTION, PRAISE, AND THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION.

O Lord Jesus Christ, my Creator and my Redeemer, my God and my All, whence is this to me, that my Lord, and so great a Lord, whom heaven and earth cannot contain, should come into this poor dwelling, this house of clay of my earthly habitation. Bow down thyself, with all thy powers, O my soul, to adore the sovereign Majesty which hath vouchsafed to come to visit thee; pour thyself forth in his presence in praises and thanksgiving; and invite all heaven and earth to join with thee in magnifying their Lord and thine, for his mercy and bounty to thee.

What return shall I make to thee, O Lord, for all thou hast done for me? Behold, when I had no being at all, thou didst create me; and when I was gone astray, and lost in my sins, thou didst redeem me, by dying for me. All that I have, all that I am, is thy gift; and now, after all thy other favours, thou hast given me thyself: blessed be thy name for ever!

From my heart I beg pardon for my great unworthiness, and for my innumerable sins, which I detest for the love of thee. Thou seest, O searcher of hearts, all my maladies, and all the wounds of my soul. Thou knowest how prone I am to evil, and how backward to

good. Who can heal all these my evils but thou, the true physician of my soul, who givest me thy body and blood in this blessed sacrament, as a sovereign medicine for all my infirmities? Dispel the darkness of ignorance from my understanding by thy heavenly light; drive away the corruption and malice of my will by the fire of divine love and charity; strengthen my weakness with heavenly fortitude; subdue in me all evil passions, particularly that which is most deeply rooted in me; stand by me henceforward in all my temptations, that I may never more be overcome; and grant me that I may rather die a thousand deaths than live to offend thee mortally.

Have mercy also on my parents, friends, and benefactors, and on all those for whom I am bound to pray, that we may all love thee and faithfully serve thee. Have mercy on thy whole Church, especially on the clergy and religious men and women, that all may live up to their callings, and sanctify thy name. Give thy grace and blessing to all princes and magistrates, and to all Christian people; convert all unbelievers and sinners, and bring all strayed sheep back to thy fold; particularly have mercy on N and N, &c.

O blessed Virgin, Mother of my God and Saviour, recommend all these my petitions to your Son. O all ye angels and saints, citizens of heaven, unite your prayers with mine: you ever stand before the throne, and see him face to face whom I here receive under veils; be ever mindful of me, and obtain from him, and through him, that with you I may bless him and love him for ever. Amen.

(Any of the Devotions at p. 12 to 19 may also be used.)

Benediction.

When the Priest opens the Tabernacle,

O salutaris Hostia,
 Quæ coeli pandis ostium :
 Bella premunt hostilia,
 Da robur, fer auxilium.
 O saving Victim, opening wide
 The gate of heav'n to man below !
 Our foes press on from every side ;
 Thine aid supply, thy strength
 bestow.

Uni trinoque Domino
 Sit sempiterna gloria,
 Qui vitam sine termino
 Nobis donet in patria.
 Amen.

To thy great name be endless praise,
 Immortal Godhead, one in three !
 Oh, grant us endless length of days
 In our true native land with thee.
 Amen.

After which follows the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, see p. 96, or some Psalm (the Psalm "Quam dilecta" will be found p. 87), or Antiphon, or Hymn appropriate to the Feast, or in honour of the Most Holy Sacrament.

Then is sung the Hymn Tantum ergo.

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
 Veneremur cernui :
 Et antiquum documentum
 Novo cedat ritui ;
 Præstet fides supplementum
 Sensuum defectui.

Down in adoration falling,
 Lo ! the sacred host we hail !
 Lo ! o'er ancient forms departing,
 Newer rites of grace prevail ;
 Faith for all defects supplying
 Where the feeble senses fail.

Genitori, Genitoque
 Laus et jubilatio,
 Salus, honor, virtus quoque
 Sit et benedictio:
 Procedenti ab utroque
 Compar sit laudatio.

To the everlasting Father
 And the Son who reigns on
 high, [ing
 With the Holy Ghost proceed-
 Forth from each eternally,
 Be salvation, honour, blessing,
 Might, and endless majesty!

¶. Panem de cœlo præ-
 stitisti eis. [Alleluia.]

¶. Thou didst give them
 bread from heaven. [Al-
 leluia.]

¶. Omne delectamentum
 in se habentem. [Alleluia.]

¶. Containing in itself
 all sweetness. [Alleluia.]

Oremus.

Deus, qui nobis sub Sa-
 cramento mirabili, passionis
 tuæ memoriam reliquisti: us
 tribue, quæsumus, ita nos
 corporis et sanguinis tui
 sacra mysteria venerari; ut
 redemptionis tuæ fructum
 in nobis jugiter sentiamus.
 Qui vivis, &c. Amen.

O God, who, under a won-
 derful Sacrament, hast left
 us a memorial of thy pas-
 sion; grant us, we beseech
 thee, so to venerate the sa-
 cred mysteries of thy body
 and blood, that we may ever
 feel within us the fruit of thy
 redemption. Who livest,
 &c. Amen.

Antiphons.

O quam suavis est, Do-
 mine, Spiritus tuus! qui ut
 dulcedinem tuam in filios
 demonstrares, pane suavis-
 simo de cœlo præstito, esu-
 rientes reples bonis, fastidi-

Oh, how sweet, Lord, is
 thy Spirit, who, that thou
 mightest shew thy sweetness
 to the sons of men, feedest
 them with the sweetest bread
 from heaven, fillest the hun-

osos divites dimittens in-
gry with good things, and
anes. sendest the disdainful rich
empty away.

O sacram convivium, in
quo Christus sumitur, reo-
litur memoria passionis ejus,
mens impletur gratia, et fu-
turæ gloriæ nobis pignus
datur. Alleluia.

O sacred feast, in which
Christ is received, the me-
mory of his passion is che-
rished, the soul is filled with
grace, and a pledge of fu-
ture glory is given to us.
Alleluia.

Adoremus in æternum May we for ever adore the
sanctissimum sacramentum. most holy Sacrament.

Laudate Dominum, om-
nes gentes; laudate eum,
omnes populi:

Quoniam confirmata est
super nos misericordia ejus:
et veritas Domini manet in
æternum.

Praise the Lord, all ye
gentiles: praise him, all ye
people.

For his mercy is con-
firmed upon us: and the
truth of the Lord endureth
for ever.

Gloria Patri, etc.

Adoremus in æternum
sanctissimum sacramentum.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

May we for ever adore the
most holy Sacrament.

Visits
to
THE MOST HOLY SACRAMENT.

A Prayer for the Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.

O divine Redeemer of our souls, who of thy great goodness hast been pleased to leave us thy precious body and blood in the blessed Sacrament of the Altar, I adore thee with the most profound reverence. I humbly thank thee for all the favours thou hast bestowed upon us, especially for the institution of this most holy Sacrament. And as thou art the source of every blessing, I entreat thee to pour down thy benediction this day upon us, and upon all those for whom we offer up our prayers. And that nothing may interrupt the course of thy blessing, I beseech thee to banish from my heart all that displeases thee: pardon me my sins, O my God, since I sincerely detest them for love of thee; purify my heart, sanctify my soul, bestow on me a blessing like that which thou didst grant to thy disciples at thy ascension into heaven; grant me a blessing that may change, consecrate, and unite me perfectly to thee, and may fill me with thy Spirit, and be to me in this life a foretaste of those blessings which thou reservest for thy elect in heaven. All this I beg in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Acts to be made at the beginning of each Visit to the Most Holy Sacrament.

My Lord Jesus Christ, who for the love which thou bearest to men dost remain day and night in this Sacrament, full of mercy and of love, inviting, expecting, receiving all them who come to visit thee, I believe that

thou art present in the blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I adore thee, confessing my own misery and nothingness, and I thank thee for all the mercies which thou hast bestowed upon me, especially for having given me thyself in this Sacrament, for having given me thy most holy Mother Mary for my advocate, and for having called me to visit thee at this time. I salute thy most loving heart, and I desire to do so for three ends : 1, In thanksgiving for this great gift ; 2, To atone for all the injuries thou hast received from thy enemies in this Sacrament ; 3, To adore thee in all places in which thou art least honoured and most neglected in the holy Sacrament. O my Jesus, I love thee with all my heart ; I am sorry for having hitherto displeased thy infinite goodness ; I resolve, with the assistance of thy grace, never more to offend thee ; and at this moment, miserable as I am, I desire to consecrate my whole being to thee. I give thee my will, my affections, my desires, and all that I have. From this day forward do with me, and whatever belongs to me, what thou pleasest ; I ask and desire only thy love, the gift of final perseverance, and the perfect accomplishment of thy holy will. I recommend to thee the souls in purgatory, particularly those who were most devout to the blessed Sacrament and to holy Mary ; and I recommend to thee all poor sinners. Finally, my dear Saviour, I unite all my affections with those of thy most loving heart ; and thus united, I offer them to thy eternal Father, and I beseech him in thy name, and for thy sake, to accept them. Amen.

PRAYER.

Vouchsafe, O Lord Jesus Christ, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, to pour down upon me thy most holy benediction, that I may be enabled always to love thee, and seek to accomplish thy divine will in all things ; and grant, O bread of angels, that I may deserve to receive thee during life, to be comforted by thee in death, and to enjoy thee eternally in thy heavenly kingdom. Amen.

ACTS OF ADORATION BEFORE THE MOST HOLY SACRAMENT.

Hail, Salvation of the world, Word of the Father, holy Host, true Life, living Flesh, perfect Deity, true Man, Body of our Lord Jesus Christ ; thou who didst form me from the dust of the earth, have mercy upon me a sinner. Amen.

Hail, most merciful Jesus, Son of God and of the Virgin Mary, who didst so love me as to be pleased to die for me, and to give thyself to me as my support, my sacrifice, and my reward ; be thou, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, blessed by all and above all for ever.

I grieve for all my sins, purely because they have displeased thee, and I resign myself to thee, and annihilate myself before thee. Supply, O merciful Jesus, for all the imperfections of us thy people, for whom thou didst deign to die, through the merits of the most blessed Virgin Mary and of all the Saints, which I offer thee in union with thine own most sacred merits, to be represented before the eternal Father. O holy Father, look upon the face of thy Christ, and grant us the grace to know thee, to love thee, and to praise thee, together with thy beloved Son and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All my holy patrons, and thou first, O most blessed Mother of God, praise the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name for ever Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, true God and man, I humbly adore and invoke thee, now present in the verity of thy flesh and blood, thy body and soul. Would that I could truly contemplate and know thee, that I could love, praise, and glorify thee, even as do the thousands of holy angels who contemplate thee with the highest joy, who know thee, love, praise, and glorify thee perfectly without weariness or interruption. All creatures justly celebrate with praise and thanksgiving that ardent love of thine by which thou didst offer thy innocent and precious body upon the altar of the cross, and didst so lovingly, so graciously, so affectionately leave us in this holy Sacrament the same body, living and immortal, as a remembrance of thy departure, and as a pledge of thine infinite love.

Thou, therefore, O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us, and give us peace; and so refresh our souls continually with this spiritual food, that we may never, in life or death, be separated from thee and from thy infinite mercy. Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

O infinite Wisdom, which cannot be deceived; O immense Goodness, which cannot deceive; great and eternal Truth, my Lord and God, I believe in thee, and I believe thee in all which thou hast revealed, and which thou propoest to me to be believed through thy holy spouse the Church; and for this holy faith I am ready, by thy grace, to die. I hope in thee, O our eternal Beatitude, and through thy infinite mercy and most precious merits, I trust that thou wilt grant me the pardon, grace, and glory which thou hast promised, with all the necessary means for attaining them; and I acknowledge and profess that I depend wholly upon thee, that I can do no-

thing without thee, but that through thee I can do all things. I love, and will love thee, and all things that thou lovest, O infinite fountain of all good, because thou art good in thyself, and infinitely to be loved. I rejoice in thy infinite perfection, beatitude, and loveliness ; and in all the homage, praise, honour, and glory which has been, is, or can be rendered to thee by thy elect and by all creatures. All these I offer to thee, along with every service and affection of my heart and my life itself.

I firmly embrace thee and thy blessed will in all things with the arms of love and resignation ; I venerate thee with every possible feeling of reverence, affection, and gratitude ; and I desire to embrace, love, and venerate thee for ever, if thou wilt mercifully grant that I may not be separated from thy grace and love here, or fail in attaining thy happy vision hereafter.

I believe in thee, O supreme truth.

I revere thee, O infinite majesty.

I adore thee, O tremendous power.

I bless thee, O most liberal benignity.

I hope in thee, O eternal felicity.

I love thee, O incomprehensible goodness.

I glorify thee, O most holy godhead.

I grieve from my inmost heart that I have ever offended thee !

PETITIONS TO JESUS SUFFERING.

O Christ Jesus, meek and humble of heart, who, being in the form of God, didst empty thyself, and take upon thee the form of a servant, grant that my heart may not be lifted up, that I be not high-minded, but fear.

O my God, who, when thou wast rich, didst take upon thee the form of a poor servant, incline my heart to thy testimonies, that I may delight in the way of thy commandments.

O Lamb without spot, who didst will to be born of a virgin, grant me purity of mind and body, by that wine

which maketh virgins. Create a clean heart in me, O God!

O Christ Jesus, who wast led as an innocent lamb to the slaughter, and didst suffer so many injuries and reproaches, grant me the spirit of patience and meekness. May I learn of thee to be meek and humble of heart!

O Christ my Saviour, who when thou didst thirst wast given gall and vinegar to drink, but hast prepared for us all spiritual joys in this Sacrament, detach me from all sensual gratifications. Grant that I may serve thee, my God, not the flesh; take away from me all sensual lusts, that my heart may never be defiled by sin.

O Lord, who in the garden didst pray long and fervently with a bloody sweat, grant that I may praise thee with my whole heart, and enjoy the comfort of thy holy grace.

O Lord, who with true charity didst pray for thine enemies, grant me to love my neighbour as myself, and to bless them that hate me.

O most sweet Saviour and Searcher of hearts, thou knowest what is in man, thou spiest out all my ways, thou knowest better than I do the virtues and gifts which I need most in the station of life wherein thy providence has placed me.

Grant me thy grace, O thou who hast given me so plenteous a treasure, even thyself, the Author of grace, in this Sacrament! For what goods shall fail to fail upon him to whom the very Author of good deigns to come as a guest! When thou didst enter into the house of Zaccheus, thou saidst, "This day is salvation come to this house." Oh, say to my soul, I beseech thee, O Lord, "I am thy salvation!"

THE CHAPLET OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

¶. Deus, in adjutorium. Gloria Patri.

The Chaplet consists of thirty-three aspirations, after each of which may be added a Pater, and at the end of each decade a Gloria Patri.

First Decade.—Acts of Faith, Hope, and Charity.

I. I believe, O my Jesus, thy divine word, that under this appearance of bread thou thyself art here present as thou art in heaven. *Pater noster.*

II. I believe that thou art the divine Son, eternally equal to the Father, that by the operation of the Holy Ghost thou didst take human flesh of the Blessed Virgin. *Pater.*

III. I believe that thou art the same Jesus who wast born of Mary ever Virgin, adored an infant by thy angels, by the shepherds and the magi. *Pater.*

IV. I believe, O my Redeemer, here present in Sacrament, that thou art the same Jesus of Nazareth who didst heal the sick and didst raise the dead, who for us didst suffer and die upon the Cross. *Pater.*

V. I believe, finally, that thou thyself, now sitting glorious at the right hand of thy Father in heaven, and there interceding for me, yet art verily present in this Sacrament, my nourishment on earth. *Pater.*

VI. O most loving Jesus, who in this Sacrament hast left me a pledge of future glory, I hope, through the merits of thy death and passion, to behold thee face to face in heaven. *Pater.*

VII. O Jesus, cause of our glorious resurrection, I hope, through the virtue of this divine food, wherewith thou nourishest me, to rise to life eternal. *Pater.*

VIII. I love thee, O Jesus, who art perfect charity, who art true God and true man, in whom are contained the treasures of the divinity, and all the fulness of grace which descends to us upon this earth. *Pater.*

IX. I love thee, dear Jesus, who, for love of me, hast made thyself like unto me; kindle within me the flame of sacred love which thou didst bring from heaven, that, loving thee, I may grow into thy likeness. *Pater.*

X. I love thee, O divine Jesus, my Lord and Master, because thou hast redeemed and freed me, poor slave of sin, with thy all-precious blood. Oh, of thy sweet mercy, grant that I may enjoy the full fruit of thy redemption. *Gloria Patri.*

Second Decade.—Acts of Adoration.

I. I adore thee, O living bread, descended from heaven for my spiritual food; give me grace worthily to receive thee in life and in death. *Pater.*

II. I adore thee, divine food of the strong; strengthen my weakness, that I may ever be constant and faithful to thy love. *Pater.*

III. I adore thee, O my Jesus, hidden beneath the sacramental veil; let my life be hidden, through thee, in God. *Pater.*

IV. I adore thee, great God, who art the only way; make me ever to walk in the path of thy precepts, and after thy shining example, that so I may arrive at eternal salvation. *Pater.*

V. I adore thee, O Jesus, true and spiritual life of all who love thee, give me grace to die to myself, and to live to thee alone, who didst die for the love of me. *Pater.*

VI. I adore thee, my dear Redeemer, truth ineffable; enliven, I beseech thee, and increase my faith, that it may be fruitful in good works. *Pater.*

VII. I adore thee, O Jesus, divine light of the world; illuminate my mind, that, knowing, I may love thee, and may come to enjoy thee eternally in heaven. *Pater.*

VIII. I adore thee, O loving Shepherd; draw to thyself this wounded sheep, that it may never more leave thy fold, to fall into the hands of the infernal wolf. *Pater.*

IX. I adore thee, divine Lamb, who, for the sins of the world, didst give thyself to be slain; grant that I

may bear all my sufferings patiently for thy sake, in satisfaction for my sins. *Pater.*

X. I adore thee, O Jesus, King of glory, Judge of the living and the dead: make me on earth so to fear thy justice, that in heaven I may eternally sing thy mercy. *Gloria Patri.*

Third Decade.—Acts of Thanksgiving.

I. I thank thee, O divine Redeemer, that, not content with having for our sakes come upon the earth, thou hast instituted this adorable Sacrament, that therein thou mightst remain with us unto the consummation of the world. *Pater.*

II. I thank thee, O glorious Jesus, that thou dost veil, beneath the eucharistic species, thy infinite majesty and beauty, which thy angels delight to behold, that so I might have courage to approach the throne of thy mercy. *Pater.*

III. I thank thee, O Jesus most loving, that, having made thyself my food, thou descendest upon this tongue, which so often has offended thee, and dost enter within this body, which, alas, has too often deserved to be visited with thy anger. *Pater.*

IV. I thank thee, my dear Saviour, that in this ineffable Sacrament thou unitest me to thee with so much love, that I therein live in thee, and thou in me. *Pater.*

V. I thank thee, O my Jesus, that, giving thyself to me in this blessed Sacrament, thou hast so enriched it with the treasures of thy love: that thou hast not, thou canst not, thou knowest not, what greater gift to give me. *Pater.*

VI. I thank thee, O my good Jesus, that not only thou art become my food, but also in this blessed Sacrament offerest thyself a continual sacrifice for my salvation, to thy eternal Father. *Pater.*

VII. I thank thee, divine Priest, for that every day thou dost sacrifice thyself upon our altars, in adoration

and homage to the most Blessed Trinity, and dost supply for our poor and miserable adorations. *Pater.*

VIII. I thank thee, O my Saviour, because, renewing in this daily sacrifice the very sacrifice of the cross offered on Calvary, thou dost satisfy the divine justice for us miserable sinners *Pater.*

IX. I thank thee, dear Jesus, that thou hast become the priceless Victim, to merit for me the fulness of celestial favours. Awaken in me such trust that their abundance may ever more and more descend upon my soul. *Pater.*

X. I thank thee, my loving Saviour, that thou art immolated in thanksgiving to God for all his benefits, spiritual and temporal, which he has bestowed upon me, and which I yet hope to receive. *Gloria Patri.*

Three final Aspirations (Pater at end of each).

I. Jesus, invisible and divine Head of thy spouse the Church, who, with thy blood, hast purified her from all stain, have mercy upon her visible head, N., upon all bishops and pastors (especially N. our own Bishop), and shed upon them thy holy Spirit, wherewith thy apostles and disciples were filled, that they may maintain thy holy faith pure and untouched, and may spread over the whole world the light of thy Gospel and of thy Catholic truth.

II. O Jesus, King of kings, Lord of governors, by whom monarchs do reign, and from whom all earthly power comes, mercifully behold our princes, and those in authority: infuse into them the spirit of thy divine wisdom, clemency, and justice, so that they may be great with thee rather than on earth, and may enter with thee into thy heavenly kingdom.

III. O Jesus, all merciful, who didst not will the death of a sinner, but that he should be converted, and rise to a spiritual life; triumph, I beseech thee, over all those who obstinately offend thee, so that, acquiring thy grace in this world, they may become worthy of the glory of my heavenly Paradise for all eternity.

A Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in the blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

How great, O my Jesus, is the extent of thy excessive charity! Thou hast prepared for me, of thy most precious Body and Blood, a divine banquet, where thou givest me thyself without reserve. What hath urged thee to this excess of love? nothing but thy own most loving Heart. O adorable Heart of my Jesus, furnace of divine love, receive my soul into the wounds of thy most sacred passion, that in this school of charity I may learn to make a return of love to that God who has given me such wonderful proofs of his love.

The faithful are invited to make, at fixed times in the day, according to their opportunities, one or more of the following aspirations of love to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I love thee, and desire to love thee more and more!

O Heart of Jesus, burning with love of us, inflame our hearts with the love of thee!

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, mayest thou be known, loved, and adored throughout all the world.

O Heart of my dear Redeemer, may the love of thy friends supply all the injuries and neglects which thou sustaineſt!

The Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be found p. 107.

LITTLE ROSARY IN HONOUR OF THE SACRED
HEART OF JESUS.

1. O my most beloved Jesus, when I think upon thy loving Heart, so full of compassion and sweetness towards sinners, my soul rejoices, and is filled with hope that thou wilt also receive me into thy merciful arms, and fill me with thy blessings. Have mercy on me, O Lord Jesus, and save my soul. Forgive my sins, as thou

didst vouchsafe to forgive Peter and Magdalene, when they turned to thee weeping and detesting their iniquities. *Pater. Five Glorias.*

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

2. I bless thee, my Jesus, for the humility of thy Heart, and thank thee that thou hast left it for my model, that by it I may be excited to imitation. Fool and ingrate that I am, to have wandered so far from thee. Pardon me, O Lord! I offer thee my heart; I will love thee all the days of my life, until I shall be united with thee in the kingdom of thy glory. Give me courage, my Jesus, and help me to fulfil my resolution. *Pater. Five Glorias.*

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

3. I marvel, O my Jesus, at the infinite patience of thy Heart. I rejoice at the wondrous pattern of suffering which thou hast left to us, and lament my extreme aversion to endure the slightest pain. Ah, my Jesus, infuse into my heart a fervent and continual love of suffering, of crosses, of mortifications, of penance, that, by following thee to Calvary, I may be united to thee in thy glory in heaven. *Pater. Five Glorias.*

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

4. When I meditate on the meekness of thy Heart, O my Jesus, I am struck with horror at the sight of my misery. Oh, what a contrast between thy Heart, all sweetness and mildness, and mine full of bitterness and passion! Oh, pardon me, O Lord, and grant me grace that I may in future imitate thee in thy unalterable meekness, and may thus obtain a constant and holy peace. *Pater. Five Glorias.*

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

5. I sing praises, O dearest Jesus, to the generosity of thy Heart, which hath conquered death and hell. How I

blush to see mine in so cowardly a manner shrinking from the slightest sacrifice; but it shall be so no longer. Grant me the courage and strength which will render me victorious over all my enemies on earth, and prepare me for the glorious triumphs of Paradise. *Pater. Five Glorias.*

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

ACTS OF THE LOVE OF GOD.

1. My God, my sovereign good, would that I had always loved thee!
2. I should consider it a happiness to give my blood, in order that all men may love thee.
3. My God, I detest the time in which I loved thee not.
4. Blind are they who love thee not.
5. Enlighten them, O my God!
6. Not to love thee, O Sovereign Good, is the only evil to be feared.
7. Never will I be of the number of those blind souls who love thee not.
8. I thank thee, O my God, for so much patience.
9. Now I desire to love thee for ever.
10. I would rather die than cease to love thee.
11. Deprive me of life rather than permit that I should cease to love thee.
12. The grace I ask of thee is, that I may always love thee.
13. With thy love I shall be happy.
14. Glory be to the Father, &c.
15. My God, I desire to see thee loved by all men.
16. My God, would that I had a thousand hearts to love thee!

2. Would that I had the hearts of all men to love thee!

3. How I should rejoice were there many worlds, who might all love thee!

4. I should be happy if I could love thee with the heart of all possible creatures.

5. Thou, indeed, dost merit it, O my God!

6. My heart is too poor and too cold to love thee!

7. O woful insensibility of man, in regard of this Sovereign Good!

8. Oh, the blindness of worldlings, who know not true love!

9. O blessed inhabitants of heaven, who know it and love it!

10. O happy necessity, to love God!

Glory be to the Father, &c.

1. O my God, when shall I burn with love for thee?

2. Oh, how happy would be my lot!

3. But since I know not how to love thee, I can rejoice at this, that so many others love thee with all their hearts.

4. I rejoice at this particularly, that the angels and saints love thee in heaven.

5. I unite my feeble heart to their inflamed hearts.

6. Would that I could love thee as well as those saints

who have been most inflamed with love for thee!

7. Would that I had for thee a love similar to that of St. Mary Magdalene, St. Catherine, and St. Teresa!

8. Or such as that of St. Austin, St. Dominic, St. Francis Xavier, St. Philip Neri, St. Aloysius Gonzaga.

9. Or as that which was entertained for thee by the holy Apostles; and particularly by St. Peter, St. Paul, and the beloved disciple.

10. Or, in fine, as that with which the great patriarch St. Joseph loved thee.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

1. Would, moreover, that I could love thee as the blessed Virgin loved thee upon earth!

2. As she loved thee, particularly when she conceived thy divine Son in her virginal womb, when she brought him into the world, when she nourished him w th her milk, and when she saw him die.

3. Would that I could love thee as she loves thee now, and as she will love thee for ever in heaven!

4. But to love thee as thou deservest to be loved, O God, infinitely good, even this would not suffice.

5. I should wish, moreover,

to love thee as the Divine Word
made Man loved thee.

6. As he loved thee at his
birth.

7. As he loved thee expiring
on the cross,

8. As he loves thee continu-
ally in the tabernacles where he
lies hid.

9. As he loves, and shall love
thee for ever.

10. In fine, my God, I wish
to love thee as thou lovest us ;
but since that is impossible,
grant that I may love thee as
well as I know how, as much
as I can, and as much as thou
wishes me. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Prayer.

O God, who has prepared invisible rewards for those
who love thee, pour forth some of thy love into our
hearts, to the end that, loving thee in all and above all,
we may obtain the accomplishment of thy promises,
which surpass all desire ; through our Lord Jesus Christ,
&c.¹

¹ Pius VII., by a rescript, August 11, 1818, granted an indul-
gence of three hundred days to all the faithful who should recite,
with a contrite heart, a succession of acts of the love of God, ar-
ranged in form of a crown, with five *Gloria Patris*, as above.
By saying them ten times a month for a whole year, a person
may gain a plenary indulgence on any day he may choose ; con-
fession, communion, and prayers according to the Pope's inten-
tions being supposed.



* THE SEVEN WORDS UPON THE CROSS.¹

PIOUS EXERCISE IN MEMORY OF THE AGONY OF JESUS CHRIST.

℣. O God, stretch forth to aid me.

℟. O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

THE WORDS OF JESUS ON THE CROSS.

The First Word.

“ Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”

℣. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

℟. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross that thou mightest pay by thy sufferings the debt due to my sins, and didst open thy divine mouth to obtain my pardon from eternal justice, have mercy on all the faithful in their agony, and on myself when I shall be in that extremity, and, by the merits of thy most precious blood shed for our salvation, give us so lively a sorrow for our sins that we may breathe out our souls into the bosom of thine infinite mercy. *Three Glories.*

℣. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Second Word.

“ To-day thou shalt be with me in Paradise.”

℣. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

℟. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst

¹ A perpetual Indulgence of 300 days, applicable to the souls in Purgatory, every time that this exercise is devoutly practised.

agonise on the Cross, and with such readiness and bounty didst respond to the faith of the good thief who in the midst of thy humiliation acknowledged thee to be the Son of God: O thou who didst assure him of Paradise, have mercy on all the faithful in their agony, and on me when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, revive in our spirits a faith so firm and constant, that it may not waver at any suggestion of the devil, so that we also may obtain the holy reward of Paradise. *Three Glories.*

℣. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Third Word.

“Behold thy mother; behold thy son.”

℣. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

℟. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross, and, forgetting thy sufferings, didst leave us as a pledge of thy love thine own most holy Mother, that through her we might confidently have recourse to thee in our greatest need, have mercy on all the faithful in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the interior martyrdom of this thy dear Mother, awaken in our hearts a firm hope in the infinite merits of thy most precious blood, that we may avoid the eternal damnation which our sins have merited. *Three Glories.*

℣. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Fourth Word.

“My God! my God! why hast thou forsaken me?”

¶. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

¶. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross, and, heaping suffering on suffering, didst endure with infinite patience not only thy many bodily tortures, but the most heavy affliction of spirit through the dereliction of thine eternal Father, have mercy on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, give us grace to suffer with true patience all the pains and afflictions of our agony, that, uniting them with thine, we may be partakers of thy glory in Paradise. *Three Glories.*

¶. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

¶. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Fifth Word.

“I thirst.”

¶. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

¶. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who didst agonise on the Cross for the love of me, and who, not satisfied with all the ignominy and suffering, wouldst willingly have suffered yet more, so that all men might be saved, as was clearly proved when all the torrents of thy passion would not allay the thirst of thy tender heart, have pity on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, enkindle such a fire of charity in our hearts as may cause them to languish with the desire of uniting themselves to thee for all eternity. *Three Glories.*

¶. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

¶. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Sixth Word.

“It is consummated.”

℣. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

℟. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross, and from that chair of truth didst announce the completion of the work of our redemption, through which, from being the children of wrath and perdition, we are become the children of God and the heirs of Paradise, have pity on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, detach us entirely from the world and from ourselves, and at the moment of our agony give us grace sincerely to offer thee the sacrifice of our life in expiation of our sins. *Three Glories.*

℣. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Seventh Word.

“Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.”

℣. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

℟. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who didst agonise on the Cross for the love of me, and who, in completing this great sacrifice, didst accept the will of thine eternal Father, by resigning thy spirit into his hands, and then bowing thine head and dying, have mercy on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and through the merits of thy most precious blood give us, in our agony, an entire conformity

to the divine will, that we may be ready either to live or die according as it shall best please thee, desiring nothing but the accomplishment of thy blessed will in us.

Three Glories.

¶. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

A Prayer to our Blessed Lady of Dolours.

O most holy Mother, most afflicted by the intense martyrdom which thou didst endure at the foot of the Cross, during the three hours' agony of Jesus, vouchsafe to assist all of us, the children of thy sorrows, in our last agony, that through thine interference we may pass from the bed of death, to form a crown for thee in the heavenly Paradise. *Three Hail Marys.*

O Mary, Mother of grace,

Mother of mercy,

Protect us from the enemy,

And receive us at the hour of death.

¶. From sudden and unprovided death,

R. Deliver us, O Lord.

¶. From the deceits of the devil,

R. Deliver us, O Lord.

¶. From eternal death, deliver us, O Lord.

Let us pray.

O God, who for the salvation of mankind didst give an example and a help in the most painful death of thy Son, grant, we beseech thee, that in the extremity of death we may experience the effects of this thy charity, and deserve to be partakers in the glory of him our Redeemer, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, I give you my heart and my soul.

Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, assist me in my last agony.

Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, may I breathe out my soul to you in peace.

**PRAYER OF ST. AUGUSTINE TO OUR LORD IN HIS
PASSION AND DEATH.**

O most adorable Lord, who for the redemption of the world didst deign to be born, to be circumcised, to be rejected by the Jews, to be betrayed by Judas with a false kiss, to be bound with cords and chains, as an innocent lamb to be led to the slaughter; to be ignominiously exposed before Annas, Caiphas, Pilate, and Herod; to be accused by false witnesses, scourged, and shamefully loaded; to be defiled with spittle, crowned with thorns, beaten with blows, struck with a reed, buffeted in the face, despoiled of thy clothes, fastened with nails to a cross, and then raised upon it, and placed between two thieves; to be offered gall and vinegar to drink, and, last of all, to be pierced with a lance: do thou, O my Lord Jesus Christ, by the virtue of thy most holy sufferings, which thou didst so undeservedly undergo, for the merit and in memory of thy most holy death and cross, deliver me from the pains of hell; and deign to carry me, as thou didst the good thief who was crucified with thee, to the kingdom of thy Father, where thou reignest with Him and the Holy Spirit one God, world without end. Amen.

**BONA MORS, OR PRAYERS FOR OBTAINING
A HAPPY DEATH.**

THROUGH THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST.

✠ In the name of the Father, &c.

Open thou our lips, O Lord, to bless thy holy name; cleanse our hearts from all our wandering and distracting thoughts; enlighten our understandings, and inflame our wills, that we may perform this holy exercise with due attention and devotion, and deserve to be heard in the presence of thy divine Majesty, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord have mercy on us.
 Christ have mercy on us.
 Lord have mercy on us.
 Holy Mary, [angels,
 All ye holy Angels & Arch-
 St. Abel,
 St. Abraham,
 St. John the Baptist,
 All ye holy Apostles and
 Evangelists,
 All ye holy Disciples of our
 Lord,
 All ye holy Innocents,
 St. Stephen,
 St. Laurence,
 All ye holy Martyrs,
 St. Silvester,
 St. Gregory,
 St. Austin, [fessors,
 All ye holy Bishops & Con-
 St. Bennet,
 St. Francis, [mits,
 All ye holy Monks & Her-
 St. Mary Magdalen,
 St. Lucy,
 All ye holy Virgins & Wi-
 dows,

All ye Saints of God, intercede
 for us.
 Be merciful unto us, and spare
 us, O Lord.
 Be merciful unto us, and hear
 us, O Lord.
 From thy anger,
 From an unprovided death,
 From the pains of hell,
 From all evil,
 From the power of the devil,
 By thy nativity,
 By thy cross and passion,
 By thy death and burial,
 By thy glorious resurrec-
 tion, [sion,
 By thy admirable ascen-
 By the grace of the Holy
 Ghost,
 In the day of judgment,
 We sinners, beseech thee to
 hear us.
 That thou spare us, we beseech
 thee to hear us.
 Lord have mercy on us.
 Christ have mercy on us.
 Lord have mercy on us.

Pray for us.

O Lord, deliver us.

Let us pray.

O God of mercy, strengthen us thy servants in thy heavenly grace, that at the hour of our death the enemy may not prevail over us, and that we may deserve to be conducted by thy angels into everlasting life, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Almighty and most merciful Creator, who, to refresh thy thirsting people in the desert, didst command streams of water to flow from the hard rock ; touch, we beseech thee, our stony hearts, and give us tears of perfect compunction, that we may detest all sin, and thirst after the blissful and glorious sight of thee, our God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the world, behold, prostrate at thy feet, a most ungrateful and perfidious creature. O my God, I have offended thee exceedingly

in thought, word, and deed. My heinous crimes fixed thee to the bloody cross. To rescue me from eternal damnation, thou didst endure an agony of three hours on Mount Calvary. I am astonished and confounded at thy unwearied patience in supporting a most provoking and wilful sinner. From the very bottom of my heart I detest all my sins ; and because I love thee, and will love thee above all created things, I steadfastly purpose, by the help of thy grace, never to offend thee more, and rather to die than commit one mortal sin. Amen.

O Jesus, who, in thy prayer to the Father in the garden of Gethsemane, wast filled with anguish and sorrow, which forced from thy trembling body drops of blood, trickling to the ground ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast betrayed by the kiss of Judas into the hands of thy enemies, wast seized and bound like a thief, and abandoned by thy disciples ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who, by the unjust verdict of the Jews, wast found guilty of death, brought like a malefactor before the tribunal of Pilate, mocked and derided by the impious Herod ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast stripped of thy garments, and most inhumanly scourged at the pillar ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast crowned with thorns, blindfolded, buffeted, struck with a reed, clothed in derision with a purple garment, and in many other ways mocked and reviled ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast reputed more criminal than Barabbas, a murderer, rejected by the Jews, and condemned to the ignominious death of the cross ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast loaded with a heavy cross, and led like an innocent lamb to the place of execution ; have

mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast crucified between two thieves, derided, blasphemed, and made to endure most horrid torments from the sixth to the ninth hour ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who didst expire on the cross, in the presence of thy holy Mother, before whose eyes thy sacred side was opened with a spear, whence issued forth water and blood ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast taken down from the cross, and bathed in the tears of thy most sorrowful Mother ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast covered in every part with wounds and bruises, embalmed with spices, and laid in the sepulchre ; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

Let us pray.

O God, who for the redemption of mankind didst vouchsafe to be born, to be circumcised, to be rejected by the Jews, to be betrayed by a kiss, to be fettered like a malefactor, and like an innocent lamb to be led to slaughter ; to be ignominiously brought before Annas, Caiphas, Pilate, and Herod, to be accused by false witnesses, to be scourged with whips, buffeted, defiled with spittle, crowned with thorns, stripped of thy clothes, fastened to a cross, placed between two thieves, and to taste of vinegar and gall ; by these most grievous pains, which I, however unworthy, do commemorate, and by thy most sacred death and passion, deliver me from the pains of hell, and conduct me whither thy mercy did conduct the penitent thief, who was crucified with thee, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest for ever. Amen.

* PRAYERS ON THE FIVE WOUNDS.

O most lovely Redeemer of my soul, prostrate before thee on the Cross, my conscience reproaches me with having by my own hands transfixed thee to that Cross as often as I have committed grievous sin, displeasing thee by my monstrous ingratitude. O my God, my most perfect and sovereign good, and worthy of all my affections as my constant benefactor, I, miserable that I am, cannot undo my evil deeds as I would, but with deep sorrow I abhor them as having offended thine infinite goodness, and kneeling at thy feet, I will at least endeavour to compassionate thee, to thank thee, to implore of thee pardon and amendment of life; and with my heart on my lips, I thus say:—

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred wound of thy LEFT FOOT; I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank thee for the love with which thou didst labour to overtake me in the way of perdition, staining thyself with the blood drawn forth by the thorns and briers of my sins. I offer to the eternal Father the sorrows and love of thy sacred humanity, in expiation of my abominable transgressions, which I detest with bitter and sincere contrition.

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory.

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred wound of thy RIGHT FOOT; I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank thee for the love which transfixed thee convulsed and bleeding, in punishment of my wanderings and the guilty indulgence of my unbridled passions. I offer the sorrows and love of thy most holy humanity to the eternal Father, and implore of him the grace to bewail my transgressions with scalding tears, and to persevere in goodness begun, without ever withdrawing myself from obedience to thy divine commandments. *Our Father, &c.*

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred wound of thy LEFT HAND; I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank

thee for having averted with such love the scourges and the everlasting condemnation due to my sins. I offer to the eternal Father the sorrows and love of thy divine humanity, and entreat him that I may spend the remainder of my life profitably, in bringing forth fruits worthy of penance, and thus disarming his irritated justice. *Our Father, &c.*

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred wound of thy **RIGHT HAND**; I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank thee for having loaded me with increasing benefits, notwithstanding my miserable want of correspondence with them. I offer to the eternal Father the sorrow and love of thy most holy humanity, entreating him to change my heart and affections, and to enable me to perform all my actions according to his good pleasure. *Our Father, &c.*

O my Jesus, I adore the most holy wound of thy **SACRED SIDE**; I compassionate thee for that bitter insult. I thank thee for the love which presented thy breast and heart to the thrust, and gave up the last drops of blood and water for my plentiful redemption. I offer to the eternal Father the outrage and the love of thy most holy humanity, that my soul, having once entered into that most loving heart, so ready and willing to receive the worst of sinners, may go out no more for ever. *Our Father, &c.*

100 days' Indulgence daily to those who recite the above. To those who shall have recited them at least ten times a month, a Plenary Indulgence twice a year, on the Invocation of Holy Cross and Exaltation of Holy Cross.

O Lord Jesus Christ, God of my heart; by the five wounds which thy love for us inflicted on thee, succour thy servants whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Amen.

Most merciful Redeemer; by those ineffable torments, and the immense grief which thou wast pleased to suffer for me, a contemptible creature, especially when thy blessed soul was bitterly separated from thy body, I hum-

bly beseech thee to secure my soul at the hour of its departure, and comfort me then, as thou didst the penitent thief, with the blessed assurance that I shall be with thee in Paradise. Amen.

Let us say thrice the "Our Father," and the "Hail Mary," in memory of the three hours our Redeemer hung upon the cross, for the souls of the faithful departed in this congregation. "Our Father," &c.

Let us say once the "Our Father," and the "Hail Mary," for such as are in the deplorable state of mortal sin. "Our Father," &c.

Let us likewise say once the "Our Father," and the "Hail Mary," for the person who is to die next in this congregation, that he may depart happily, fortified with the holy sacraments of the Church. "Our Father," &c.

Let us dispose ourselves, by acts of perfect contrition and pure love of God, to receive profitably the Benediction of our Lord and Saviour in the adorable Sacrament of the Altar.

O merciful Redeemer, and God of infinite patience; great is my confusion at appearing in thy divine presence, because I have so frequently preferred vile and contemptible creatures before thee, the Almighty Creator of the universe.

I, who am but a miserable worm of the earth, do utterly detest my presumption in sinning in thy most pure sight. I acknowledge that I am a notorious criminal, and I plead guilty at the bar of thy dread tribunal. Thou mightest have been glorified in thy justice, by striking me suddenly dead, and condemning me to eternal flames for base indignities offered to thee; but thou wast pleased to be glorified in the high prerogative of thy mercy, by calling me back to repentance. I abhor all my crimes of thought, word, and deed, not only for the fear of punishment, and the hope of reward, but likewise for thy own sake, and because thou dost abominate them infinitely. O God of majesty and mercy, look upon the sacred marks in thy hands, feet, and side, which thou still retainest in thy glorified body, to plead in my behalf. By that tender love which induced thee to create, redeem, and sanctify me, unite the abyss of thy merits

to the abyss of my misery. Strengthen my weakness, confirm this my resolution of never offending thee more. Oh, rather let me lose every thing, with life itself, than lose thy favour by mortal sin. My heart was created for thee, and I love thee more than myself. Every day of my life, and especially that on which I shall expire, I will strive to love and serve thee for thy own sake, my God and my Creator. O Saviour of perishing mankind, who openest thy hand, and fillest every creature with benediction, give me now such a blessing as thou didst bestow on thy beloved disciples, when ascending in triumph from the mountain of Olives, that I may live and die in this happy disposition. Amen.

***Prayers for the Stations,
OR THE WAY OF THE CROSS.**

(VIA CRUCIS.)

The priests and acolyths, kneeling before the altar, say as follows:

O Jesus, our adorable Saviour, behold us prostrate at thy feet, imploring thy mercy for ourselves, and for the souls of all the faithful departed. Vouchsafe to apply to us the infinite merits of thy passion, on which we are now about to meditate. Grant that while we trace this path of sighs and tears, our hearts may be so touched with contrition and repentance, that we may be ready to embrace with joy all the crosses and sufferings and humiliations of this our life and pilgrimage.

¶. Domine, labia mea
apries. ¶. Thou shalt open my
lips, O Lord.

¶. Et os meum annun-
tiabit laudem tuam. ¶. And my mouth shall
shew forth thy praise.

¶. Deus, in adjutorium
meum intende. ¶. O God, come to my
assistance.

R. Domine, ad adjuvan- R. O Lord, make haste
dum me festina. to help me.

V. Gloria Patri, &c. V. Glory be, &c.
R. Sicut erat, &c. R. As it was, &c.

Then moving in procession to the first Station, the following versicle and response are said or sung :

V. Adoramus te, Christe, V. We adore thee, O
te benedicimus tibi. Christ, and we bless thee.

R. Quia per sanctam cru- R. Because by thy holy
cem tuam redemisti mun- Cross thou hast redeemed
dum. the world.

This versicle and response are repeated before each Station.

First Station.

JESUS CHRIST CONDEMNED TO DEATH.

The Priest reads :

Leaving the house of Caiphas, where he had been blasphemed, and the house of Herod, where he had been mocked, Jesus is dragged before Pilate, his back torn with scourges, his head crowned with thorns; and he, who on the last day will judge the living and the dead, is himself condemned to a disgraceful death.

It was for us that thou didst suffer, O blessed Jesus; it was for our sins thou wast condemned to die. Oh, grant that we may detest them from the bottom of our hearts, and by this repentance obtain thy mercy and pardon.

An Act of Contrition.

O God, we love thee with our whole hearts and above all things, and are heartily sorry that we have offended thee. May we never offend thee any more. Oh, may we love thee without ceasing, and make it our delight to do in all things thy most holy will.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

℣. Miserere nostri, Domine.

℟. Miserere nostri.

℣. Fidelium animæ, per misericordiam Dei, requiescant in pace.

℟. Amen.

This Act of Contrition to be repeated after each Station.

While passing from one Station to another, a verse of the Stabat Mater is sung or said.

℣. Stabat Mater dolorosa
Juxta crucem lacrymosa,
Dum pendebat Filius.

At the cross her station keeping,
Stood the mournful mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last.

If many persons perform the Via Crucis, the priests, or one part of the people, may sing the verses in order, and the rest of the people repeat after each verse :

℟. Sancta Mater, istud agas,
Crucifixi fige plagas
Cordi meo valide. Holy Mother, pierce me through,
 In my heart each wound renew
 Of my Saviour crucified.

Or this verse alone may be sung after each Station.

Second Station.

JESUS RECEIVES THE CROSS.

℣. Adoramus te, &c. ℣. We adore thee, &c.
℟. Quia per sanctam, &c. ℟. Because, &c.

Priest.

A heavy cross is laid upon the bruised shoulders of Jesus. He receives it with meekness, nay, with a secret joy, for it is the instrument with which he is to redeem the world.

Prayer.

O Jesus ! grant us, by virtue of thy cross, to embrace with meekness and cheerful submission the difficulties

of our state, and to be ever ready to take up our cross and follow thee.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

V. Cujus animam gementem, Contristatam, et dolentem, Pertransivit gladius.	Through her heart, his sorrow sharing, All his bitter anguish bearing, Now at length the sword had pass'd. Holy Mother, &c.
V. Sancta Mater, &c.	

Third Station.

JESUS FALLS THE FIRST TIME UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE CROSS.

¶. Adoramus te, &c. ¶. We adore thee, &c.
¶. Quia per, &c. ¶. Because, &c.

Priest.

Bowed down under the weight of the cross, Jesus slowly sets forth on the way to Calvary, amidst the mockeries and insults of the crowd. His agony in the garden has exhausted his body; he is sore with blows and wounds; his strength fails him; he falls to the ground under the cross.

Prayer.

O Jesus ! who for our sins didst bear the heavy burden of the cross, and fell under its weight, may the thoughts of thy sufferings make us watchful over ourselves, and save us from any grievous fall into sin.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

¶. O quam tristis et afflict
Fuit illa benedicta
Mater Unigeniti !
¶. Sancta Mater, &c.
Oh, how sad and sore distress'd
Was that Mother highly blest
Of the sole-begotten one !
Holy Mother, &c.

Fourth Station.

JESUS IS MET BY HIS BLESSED MOTHER.

℣. Adoramus te, &c. ℣. We adore thee, &c.
 ℑ. Quia per, &c. ℑ. Because, &c.

Priest.

Still burdened with his cross, and wounded yet more by his fall, Jesus proceeds on his way. He is met by his Mother. What a meeting must that have been! What a sword of anguish must have pierced that Mother's bosom! What must have been the compassion of that Son for his holy Mother!

Prayer.

O Jesus! by the compassion which thou didst feel for thy Mother, have compassion on us, and give us a share in her intercession. O Mary, most afflicted Mother! intercede for us, that, through the sufferings of thy Son, we may be delivered from the wrath to come.

*Act of Contrition, &c. as before.**Pater, Ave, &c. as before.*

℣. Quæ moerebat et dolebat, Christ above in torment hangs,
 Pia Mater, dum videbat She beneath beholds the pangs
 Nati penas inclyti. Of her dying glorious Son.
 ℑ. Sancta Mater, &c. Holy Mother, &c.

Fifth Station.

THE CROSS IS LAID UPON SIMON OF CYRENE.

℣. Adoramus te, &c. ℣. We adore thee, &c.
 ℑ. Quia per, &c. ℑ. Because, &c.

Priest.

As the strength of Jesus fails, and he is unable to proceed, the executioners seize and compel Simon of

Cyrene to carry his cross. The virtue of that cross changed his heart, and from a compulsory task it became a privilege and a joy.

Prayer.

O Lord Jesus! may it be our privilege also to bear thy cross; may we glory in nothing else; by it may the world be crucified unto us, and we unto the world; may we never shrink from sufferings, but rather rejoice if we may be counted worthy to suffer for thy name's sake.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

℣. Quis est homo qui non fleret, Is there one who would not weep,
Matrem Christi si videret Whelm'd in miseries so deep
In tanto supplicio? Christ's dear Mother to behold?

℟. Sancta Mater, &c. Holy Mother, &c.

Sixth Station.

THE FACE OF JESUS IS WIPED BY VERONICA.

℣. Adoramus te, &c. ℣. We adore thee, &c.
℟. Quia per, &c. ℣. Because, &c.

Priest.

As Jesus proceeds on the way, covered with the sweat of death, a woman, moved with compassion, makes her way through the crowd, and wipes his face with a handkerchief. As a reward of her piety, the impression of his sacred countenance is miraculously imprinted upon the handkerchief.

Prayer.

O Jesus! may the contemplation of thy sufferings move us with the deepest compassion, make us to hate our sins, and kindle in our hearts more fervent love to thee. May thy image be graven on our minds, until we are transformed into thy likeness.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

Y. Quis non posset contri- Can the human heart refrain
tarī, From partaking in her pain,
Christi Matrem contem- In that Mother's pain untold?
plari
Dolentem eum Filio?
R. Sancta Mater, &c. Holy Mother, &c.

Seventh Station.

JESUS FALLS A SECOND TIME.

Y. Adoramus te, &c. Y. We adore thee, &c.
R. Quia per, &c. R. Because, &c.

Priest.

The pain of his wound, and the loss of blood increasing at every step of his way, again his strength fails him, and Jesus falls to the ground a second time.

Prayer.

O Jesus! falling again under the burden of our sins, and of thy sufferings for our sins, how often have we grieved thee by our repeated falls into sin! Oh, may we rather die than ever offend thee again!

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

Y. Pro peccatis suse gentilis Bruis'd, derided, curs'd, desl'd,
Vidit Jesum in tormentis, She beheld her tender Child
Et flagellis subditum. All with bloody scourges rent.
R. Sancta Mater, &c. Holy Mother, &c.

Eighth Station.

THE WOMEN OF JERUSALEM MOURN FOR OUR LORD.

Y. Adoramus te, &c. Y. We adore thee, &c.
R. Quia per, &c. R. Because, &c.

Priest.

At the sight of the sufferings of Jesus, some holy women in the crowd were so touched with sympathy, that they openly bewailed and lamented him. Jesus, knowing the things that were to come to pass upon Jerusalem because of their rejection of him, turned to them, and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children."

Prayer.

O Lord Jesus, we mourn, and will mourn, both for thee and for ourselves; for thy sufferings, and for our sins which caused them. Oh, teach us so to mourn, that we may be comforted, and escape those dreadful judgments prepared for all who reject or neglect thee in this life.

*Act of Contrition, &c. as before.**Pater noster, &c. as before.*

℣. Vidit suum dulcem Na- For the sins of his own nation
tum She saw him hang in desolation,
Moriendo desolatum, Till his spirit forth he sent.
Dum emisit spiritum.
℟. Sancta Mater, &c. Holy Mother, &c.

*Ninth Station.***JESUS FALLS THE THIRD TIME UNDER THE CROSS.**

℣. Adoramus te, &c. ℣. We adore thee, &c.
℟. Quia per, &c. ℣. Because, &c.

Priest.

Jesus had now arrived almost at the summit of Calvary; but before he reached the spot where he was to be crucified, his strength again fails him, and he falls the third time, to be again dragged up, and goaded onward by the brutal soldiery.

Prayer.

¶ Lord Jesus ! we entreat thee, by the merits of this thy third most painful fall, to pardon our frequent relapses and our long continuance in sin ; and may the thought of these thy sufferings make us to hate our sins more and more.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

V. Eia Mater fons amoris,
Me sentire vim doloris
Fac, ut tecum lugeam.
By Sancta Mater, &c.

O thou Mother, fount of love!
Touch my spirit from above,
Make my heart with thine
accord.
Holy Mother, &c.

Earth Station.

JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS.

¶. Adoramus te, &c. ¶. We adore thee, &c.
¶. Quia per, &c. ¶. Because, &c.

Priest.

Arrived at last at the place of sacrifice, they prepare to crucify him. His garments are torn from his bleeding body, and he, the Holy of holies, stands exposed to the vulgar gaze of the rude and scoffing multitude.

Prayer.

O Lord Jesus, thou didst endure this shame for our most shameful deeds. Strip us, we beseech thee, of all false shame, conceit, and pride, and make us so to humble ourselves voluntarily in this life, that we may escape everlasting ignominy in the world to come.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

V. Fac ut ardeat cor meum In amando Christum De- um, Ut sibi complaceam.	Make me feel as thou hast felt; Make my soul to glow and melt With the love of Christ my Lord.
E. Sancta Mater, &c.	Holy Mother, &c.

Eleventh Station.

JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS.

℣. Adoramus te, &c. ℣. We adore thee, &c.
 ℑ. Quia per, &c. ℑ. Because, &c.

Priest.

The cross is laid upon the ground, and Jesus is stretched upon his bed of death. At one and the same time, he offers his bruised limbs to his heavenly Father in behalf of sinful man, and to his fierce executioners to be nailed by them to the disgraceful wood. The blows are struck! the blood gushes forth!

Prayer.

O Jesus! nailed to the cross, fasten our hearts there also, that they may be united to thee until death shall strike us with its fatal blow, and with our last breath we shall have yielded up our souls to thee.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

℣. Sancta Mater, istud agas, Holy Mother, pierce me
 Crucifixi fige plagas through;
 Cordi meo valide. In my heart each wound renew
 ℑ. Sancta Mater, &c. Of my Saviour crucified.
 Holy Mother, &c.

Twelfth Station.

JESUS DIES UPON THE CROSS.

℣. Adoramus te, &c. ℣. We adore thee, &c.
 ℑ. Quia per, &c. ℑ. Because, &c.

Priest.

For three hours has Jesus hung upon his transfixed hands; his blood has run in streams down his body, and bedewed the ground; and, in the midst of excru-

ciating sufferings, he has pardoned his murderers, promised the bliss of paradise to the good thief, and committed his blessed Mother and beloved disciple to each other's care. All is now consummated; and meekly bowing down his head, he gives up the ghost.

Prayer.

O Jesus! we devoutly embrace that honoured cross where thou didst love us even unto death. In that death we place all our confidence. Henceforth let us live only for thee; and in dying for thee, let us die loving thee, and in thy sacred arms.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

℣. Tui Nati vulnerati,	Let me share with thee his pain,
Tam dignati pro me pati,	Who for all my sins was slain,
Poenas mecum divide.	Who for me in torments died.
℟. Sancta Mater, &c.	Holy Mother, &c.

Thirteenth Station.

JESUS IS LAID IN THE ARMS OF HIS SACRED MOTHER.

℣. Adoramus te, &c.	℣. We adore thee, &c.
℟. Quia per, &c.	℟. Because, &c.

Priest.

The multitude have left the heights of Calvary, and none remain save the beloved disciple and the holy women, who, at the foot of the cross, are striving to stem the grief of Christ's inconsolable Mother. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus take down the body of her divine Son from the cross, and deposit it in her arms.

Prayer.

O thou, whose grief was boundless as an ocean that hath no limits, Mary, Mother of God, give us a share

in thy most holy sorrow in the sufferings of thy Son, and have compassion on our infirmities. Accept us as thy children with the beloved disciple. Shew thyself a mother unto us; and may he, through thee, receive our prayer, who for us vouchsafed to be thy Son.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

℣. Fac me tecum pie flere, Crucifixo condolere, Donec ego vixero.	Let me mingle tears with thee, Mourning him who mourned for me, All the days that I may live.
℟. Sancta Mater, &c.	Holy Mother, &c.

Fourteenth Station.

JESUS IS LAID IN THE SEPULCHRE.

℣. Adoramus te, &c.	℣. We adore thee, &c.
℟. Quia per, &c.	℟. Because, &c.

Priest.

The body of her dearly beloved Son is taken from his Mother, and laid by the disciples in the tomb. The tomb is closed, and there the lifeless body remains until the hour of its glorious resurrection.

Prayer.

We too, O God, will descend into the grave whenever it shall please thee, as it shall please thee, and wheresoever it shall please thee. Let thy just decrees be fulfilled; let our sinful bodies return to their parent dust; but do thou, in thy great mercy, receive our immortal souls, and when our bodies have risen again, place them likewise in thy kingdom, that we may love and bless thee for ever and ever. Amen.

Act of Contrition, &c. as before.

Pater noster, &c. as before.

Y. Juxta crucem tecum stare, By the cross with thee to stay,
 Et me tibi sociare There with thee to weep and
 In planctu desidero. pray,
 Is all I ask of thee to give.
 R. Sancta Mater, &c. Holy Mother, &c.

The Benediction is then given, after which the following antiphon and prayer are sung.

Ant. Christus factus est *Ant.* Christ was made for
 pro nobis obediens usque us obedient unto death, even
 ad mortem, mortem autem the death of the cross.
 crucis.

Oremus.

Respice, quæsumus, Domine, super hanc familiam tuam, pro qua Dominus noster Jesus Christus non dubitavit manibus tradi nocentium, et crucis subire tormentum. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

R. Amen.

Let us pray.

Look down, O Lord, we beseech thee, upon this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ did not refuse to be delivered into the hands of wicked men, and to endure the torments of the cross. Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God for ever and ever.

R. Amien.

When the Benediction is given with the Cross of the Passion, the following order is to be observed.

Benediction with the Cross of the Passion.

Cantor. Jube, Domine, benedicere.

Priest. Benedicat vos Dominus noster Jesus Christus, qui pro nobis fla-

Cantor. Grant us, O Lord, a blessing.

Priest. May our Lord Jesus Christ bless us, who for us was scourged, loaded

gellatus est, crucem porta- with his cross, and cruci-
vit, et fuit crucifixus. fied.

Rv. Amen.

Rv. Amen.

Virgo virginum præclara,
Mihi jam non sis amara,
Fac me tecum plangere.

Fac ut portem Christi mortem,
Passionis fac consortem,
Et plagas recolcre.

Fac me plagis vulnerari,
Fac me cruce inebriari,
Et cruento Filii.

Flammis ne urar succensus
Per te, Virgo, sim defensus
In die judicii.

Christe, cum sit hinc exire,
Da per Matrem me venire
Ad palmarum victoriarum.

Quando corpus morietur,
Fac ut animæ donetur
Paradisi gloria. Amen.

Virgin of all virgins best !
Listen to my fond request,
Let me share thy grief divine.

Let me, to my latest breath,
In my body bear the death
Of that dying Son of thine.

Wounded with his every wound,
Steep my soul till it hath
swo n'd
In his very blood away.

Be to me, O Virgin, nigh,
Lest in flames I burn and die,
In his awful judgment-day.

Christ, when thou shalt call
me hence,
Be thy Mother my defence,
Be thy cross my victory.

While my body here decays,
May my soul thy goodness
praise,
Safe in Paradise with thee.



*The Rosary
OF THE
Most Blessed Virgin Mary.

Before beginning the Rosary, it is usual to say,

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hail, Mary.

V. Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord.

Rv. And my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

V. O God, come to my assistance.

Rv. O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

THE FIVE JOYFUL MYSTERIES.

I. *The Annunciation.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the angel Gabriel saluted our Blessed Lady with the title, "Full of grace," and declared unto her the Incarnation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Our Father. Ten Hail Mary's. Glory be to the Father.

Prayer.

O holy Mary, Queen of Virgins; through the most high mystery of the Incarnation of thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, wherein our salvation was begun, obtain for us, through thy most holy intercession, light to understand the greatness of the benefit he hath bestowed upon us, in vouchsafing to become our Brother, and giving thee, his own beloved Mother, to be our Mother also. Amen.

II. *The Visitation.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, understanding from the angel that her cousin St. Elizabeth had conceived, went with haste into the mountains of Judea to visit her, bearing her Divine Son within her womb, and remained with her three months.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O holy Virgin, most spotless mirror of humility; by that exceeding charity which moved thee to visit thy holy cousin, St. Elizabeth, obtain for us, through thine intercession, that our hearts being visited by thy divine Son, and freed from all sin, we may praise and give thanks to him for ever. Amen.

III. *The Birth of our Saviour Christ in Bethlehem.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, when the time of her delivery was come, brought forth our Redeemer, Jesus Christ, at midnight, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for him in the inns at Bethlehem.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O most pure Mother of God; through thy virginal and most joyful delivery, whereby thou gavest to the world thy only Son, our Saviour, we beseech thee obtain for us, through thine intercession, the grace to lead such pure and holy lives in this world, that we may become worthy to sing, without ceasing, the mercies of thy Son, and his benefits to us by thee. Amen.

IV. *The Presentation of our Blessed Lord in the Temple.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, on the day of her purification, presented the child Jesus in the Temple, where holy Simeon,

giving thanks to God, with great devotion received him into his arms.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O holy Virgin, most admirable mistress and pattern of obedience, who didst present the Lord of the Temple in the Temple of God; obtain for us, of thy blessed Son, that, with holy Simeon and devout Anna, we may praise and glorify him for ever. Amen.

V. The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, after having lost (through no fault of hers) her beloved Son in Jerusalem, sought him for the space of three days; and at length found him in the Temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, hearing them, and asking them questions, being of the age of twelve years.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O most Blessed Virgin, more than martyr in thy sufferings, and yet the comfort of such as are afflicted; by that unspeakable joy wherewith thy soul was filled, when at length thou didst find thy well-beloved Son in the Temple, teaching in the midst of the doctors; obtain of him that we may so seek him and find him in his holy Catholic Church, as never more to be separated from him. Amen.

Salve Regina, as at p. 16, with *Y.* and *R.*; and the following prayers:

Hear, O merciful God, the prayer of thy servants; that we who meet together in the society of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin, Mother of God, may, through her intercession, be delivered by thee from the dangers that continually hang over us; through the merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

O God, whose only-begotten Son, by his life, death, and resurrection, hath laid open to us the rewards of everlasting life; grant, we beseech thee, that, pondering in our hearts these mysteries in the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we

may imitate what they set forth, and obtain what they promise; through the same our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE FIVE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES.

I. *The Prayer and Bloody Sweat of our Blessed Saviour in the Garden.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus was so afflicted for us in the garden of Gethsemane, that his body was bathed in a bloody sweat, which ran down in great drops to the ground.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O most holy Virgin, more than martyr; by that ardent prayer which our beloved Saviour poured forth to his heavenly Father in the garden, vouchsafe to intercede for us, that, our passions being reduced to the obedience of reason, we may always, and in all things, conform and subject ourselves to the holy will of God. Amen.

II. *The Scourging of our Blessed Lord at the Pillar.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ was most cruelly scourged in Pilate's house, the number of stripes they gave him being about five thousand.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O Mother of God, overflowing fountain of patience; through those stripes thy only and much-beloved Son vouchsafed to suffer for us, obtain of him for us grace to mortify our rebellious senses, to avoid the occasion of sin, and to be ready to suffer every thing rather than offend God. Amen.

III. *The Crowning of our Blessed Saviour with Thorns.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how those cruel ministers of Satan platted a crown of sharp thorns, and

cruelly pressed it on the sacred head of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O Mother of our Eternal Prince, the King of Glory; by those sharp thorns wherewith his sacred head was pierced, we beseech thee obtain, through thy intercession, that we may be delivered from all motions of pride, and escape that shame which our sins deserve at the day of judgment. Amen.

IV. Jesus carrying his Cross.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being sentenced to die, bore, with the most amazing patience, the cross which was laid upon him for his greater torment and ignominy.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O Holy Virgin, example of patience; by the most painful carrying of the cross, in which thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, bore the heavy weight of our sins, obtain for us of him, through thine intercession, courage and strength to follow his steps, and bear our cross after him to the end of our lives. Amen.

V. The Crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being come to Mount Calvary, was stripped of his clothes, and his hands and feet nailed to the cross, in the presence of his most afflicted Mother.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God; as the body of thy beloved Son was for us stretched upon the cross, so may we offer up our souls and bodies to be crucified with him

and our hearts to be pierced with grief at his most bitter Passion; and thou, O most sorrowful Mother, graciously vouchsafe to help us, by thy all-powerful intercession, to accomplish the work of our salvation. Amen.

Salve Regina and Prayers, as before.

THE FIVE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES.

I. *The Resurrection of our Lord from the dead.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, triumphing gloriously over death, rose again the third day, immortal and impassible.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O glorious Virgin Mary; by that unspeakable joy thou didst receive in the resurrection of thy Divine Son, we beseech thee obtain for us of him, that our hearts may never go astray after the false joys of this world, but may be for ever wholly employed in the pursuit of the only true and solid joys of heaven. Amen.

II. *The Ascension of Christ into Heaven.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, forty days after his resurrection, ascended into heaven, attended by angels, in the sight, and to the great admiration, of his most holy Mother, and his holy Apostles and disciples.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O Mother of God, comforter of the afflicted; as thy beloved Son, when he ascended into heaven, lifted up his hands and blessed his Apostles, as he was parted from them; so vouchsafe, most holy Mother, to lift up thy pure hands to him on our behalf, that we may enjoy the benefits of his blessing, and of thine, here on earth, and hereafter in heaven. Amen.

III. *The Descent of the Holy Ghost on the Apostles.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being seated on the right hand of God, sent, as he had promised, the Holy Ghost upon his Apostles, who, after he was ascended, returning to Jerusalem, continued in prayer and supplication with the Blessed Virgin Mary, expecting the performance of his promise.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O sacred Virgin, Tabernacle of the Holy Ghost; we beseech thee obtain, by thine intercession, that this most sweet Comforter, whom thy beloved Son sent down upon his Apostles, filling them thereby with spiritual joy, may teach us in this world the true way of salvation, and make us to walk in the path of virtue and good works. Amen.

IV. *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the glorious Virgin, twelve years after the resurrection of her Son, passed out of this world unto him, and was by him assumed into heaven, accompanied by the holy Angels.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O most prudent Virgin, who, entering the heavenly palaces, didst fill the angels with joy and man with hope; vouchsafe to intercede for us at the hour of our death, that, being delivered from the illusions and temptations of the devil, we may joyfully and securely pass out of this temporal state, to enjoy the happiness of eternal life. Amen.

V. *The Coronation of the most Blessed Virgin Mary in Heaven.*

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the glorious Virgin Mary was, to the great jubilee and exultation of

the whole court of heaven, and particular glory of all the Saints, crowned by her Son with the brightest diadem of glory.

Our Father, &c.

Prayer.

O glorious Queen of all the heavenly host; we beseech thee accept this rosary, which, as a crown of roses, we offer at thy feet; and grant, most gracious lady, that, by thy intercession, our souls may be inflamed with so ardent a desire of seeing thee so gloriously crowned, that it may never die within us, until it shall be changed into the happy fruition of thy blessed sight. Amen.

Salve Regina, &c. as before.

* CROWN OF THE TWELVE STARS, OR ROSARY OF
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

Let us praise and bless the most holy Trinity, for having shewn to us the Virgin Mary clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet, and with a mysterious crown of twelve stars upon her head.

R. For ever and ever. Amen.

Let us praise and bless the divine Father, for having chosen her as his daughter.

R. Amen. *Our Father.*

Praised be the divine Father, for having predestined her to be the Mother of his divine Son.

R. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the divine Father, for having preserved her from all sin in her Conception.

R. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the divine Father, for having adorned her with the highest gifts in her nativity.

R. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the divine Father, for having given her St. Joseph as a most pure spouse and companion.

R. Amen. *Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.*

Let us praise and bless the divine Son, for having chosen her for his Mother.

Rv. Amen. *Our Father.*

Praised be the divine Son, for having become incarnate in her womb, and for having remained there nine months.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the divine Son, for having been born of her, and for having given her her milk wherewith to nourish him.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the divine Son, for having been pleased in his childhood to be educated by her.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the divine Son, for having revealed to her the mysteries of the redemption of the world.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.*

Let us praise and bless the Holy Ghost, for having taken her for his spouse.

Rv. Amen. *Our Father.*

Praised be the Holy Ghost, for having revealed to her for the first time his name of Holy Ghost.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the Holy Ghost, through whose operation she was at once Virgin and Mother.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the Holy Ghost, through whose power she became the living temple of the most holy Trinity.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary.*

Praised be the Holy Ghost, by whom she was exalted in heaven above all creatures.

Rv. Amen. *Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.*

For the holy Catholic Church, for the propagation of the faith, for peace among Christian princes, and for the extirpation of heresies, let us say the *Salve Regina.*

An Indulgence of 100 days was granted by Pope Gregory XVI. to all the faithful every time that they devoutly recite this chaplet.

* THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY.

V. O God, stretch forth to aid me.

R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father.

1. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate the grief of thy tender heart at the prophecy of the holy old man Simeon. O beloved Mother, through that afflicted heart obtain for me the virtue of humility and the gift of the holy fear of God.

Hail Mary.

2. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate those afflictions which thy most sensitive heart endured during the flight into Egypt and the dwelling there. O beloved Mother, by that afflicted heart obtain for me the virtue of liberality, specially towards the poor, and the gift of piety.

Hail Mary.

3. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate that intense distress which thine anxious heart experienced in the loss of thy dearest Jesus. O beloved Mother, by that deeply troubled heart obtain for me the virtue of chastity and the gift of knowledge.

Hail Mary.

4. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate the consternation which thy maternal heart experienced when thou didst meet Jesus bearing his Cross. O beloved Mother, by that deep distress of thy tender heart obtain for me the virtue of patience and the gift of fortitude.

Hail Mary.

5. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate that martyrdom which thy generous heart endured in witnessing the last agony of Jesus. O beloved Mother, by that

martyred heart obtain for me the virtue of temperance and the gift of counsel.

Hail Mary.

6. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate that wound which thy mournful heart endured from the lance which tore the side of Jesus and wounded his most lovely heart. O beloved Mother, by thy pierced heart obtain for me the virtue of fraternal charity and the gift of understanding.

Hail Mary.

7. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate the convulsion which thy most loving heart experienced at the burial of Jesus. O beloved Mother, by this extreme grief of thy sacred heart obtain for me the virtue of diligence and the gift of wisdom.

Hail Mary.

¶. Pray for us, O most sorrowful Virgin.

¶. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that the Blessed Virgin Mary, thy Mother, may intercede for us with thy clemency, now and at the hour of our death, who at the hour of thy passion was pierced in her most holy soul by the sword of sorrow; grant this, O Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth world without end. Amen.

A perpetual Indulgence of 300 days, applicable to the dead, to all Christians every time that they shall recite the above exercise in honour of the sorrowful heart of the most blessed Virgin.

* ROSARY OF THE SEVEN DOLOURS OF OUR
BLESSED LADY.

TO BE USED ON FRIDAY EVENINGS.

1. Dolour, the prophecy of Simeon. *One Our Father and seven Hail Maries.*

2. The flight into Egypt. *One Our Father and seven Hail Maries.*

3. The loss of Jesus for three days. *One Our Father and seven Hail Maries.*

4. Her meeting Jesus carrying his cross. *One Our Father and seven Hail Maries.*

5. Her standing beneath the cross on Calvary. *One Our Father and seven Hail Maries.*

6 Her receiving on her lap the sacred body of Jesus taken down from the cross. *One Our Father and seven Hail Maries.*

7. Her witnessing the burial of the sacred body of her Son *One Our Father and seven Hail Maries.*

In honour of the tears shed by our Lady during these dolours. *Three Hail Maries.*

¶. Pray for us, O most sorrowful Virgin.

By That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that blessed Virgin Mary, thy Mother, may intercede for us with thy clemency now and at the hour of our death, who in the hour of thy Passion was pierced in her most holy soul by the sword of sorrow; grant this, O Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth world without end. Amen.

INDULGENCES FOR THE ABOVE ROSARY.

1. 200 days for each Our Father and Hail Mary, when recited in the churches of the Order of Servants of Mary.
2. 200 days for each Our Father and Hail Mary, when recited on Friday, on all the days of Lent, and on the Feast and Octave of the Seven Dolours, in any place whatsoever.
3. 100 days for each recital, in any place, or at any time, together with seven years and seven quarantains.
4. Plenary, with the usual conditions, for those who have said it daily for a month.
5. 100 years for each recital.
6. 150 years on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
7. Plenary once a year for those who recite it at least four times a week.
8. 200 years for those who recite it after confession.
9. For those who frequently recite this Rosary, and have one about their persons, an indulgence of ten years each time they assist at mass, hear sermons, accompany the Blessed Sacrament to the sick, bring sinners to repentance, &c., and the same indulgence for those who perform some spiritual or corporal work in honour of our Blessed Lord, the Blessed Virgin, or their patron Saints, reciting at the same time seven Our Fathers and seven Hail Maries.

All these indulgences are applicable to the dead.

[*The Litany of the Seven Dolours will be found at page 112.*]



**PRAYERS FOR MEMBERS OF THE CONFRATERNITY
OF MOUNT CARMEL.**

An Offering of oneself to the Blessed Virgin, which may be used on the day of admission into the Confraternity, or on any other day.

Most holy Virgin Mary, Mother of God, I, N, although unworthy to be thy servant, yet encouraged by thy great clemency, and moved by a desire to serve thee, choose thee this day, in presence of my angel guardian and of all the heavenly court, for my special patroness, my advocate, and my mother; I firmly resolve to love and serve thee henceforth, and to do all that in me lies in order that thou mayst be loved and served by others. I beseech thee, O most illustrious Patroness of Carmel, my good and amiable mother, by the blood of thy Son shed for me, vouchsafe to receive me as thy child, and thy perpetual servant; assist me in all my thoughts, my words, and my actions, at all moments of my life, so that all my deeds and all my thoughts may be directed to the praise and glory of God; grant, by thy powerful intercession, that I may have a perfect zeal for thy honour, and that this holy Scapular, which I desire to carry during my whole life as a witness of my dedication to thee, may be a means of preserving me from the dangers of eternal death, and conducting me in safety to everlasting bliss. Amen.

O God, who hast honoured the order of Mount Carmel with the special title of the most blessed Mary, ever Virgin, and thy Mother, mercifully grant that, protected by her patronage, we may deserve to arrive at everlasting joys; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

* SORROWS AND JOYS OF ST. JOSEPH.

1. O glorious St. Joseph, most pure spouse of thy most holy Mary, even as the trouble and anguish of thy heart was great in the perplexity of abandoning thy most chaste and stainless spouse, so, too, inexplicable was thy delight when by the angel was revealed to thee the sovereign mystery of the Incarnation.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, we pray thee, now and in our last agony, to comfort our soul with the joy of a good life, and of a holy death, like unto thine between Jesus and Mary.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

2. O glorious St. Joseph, most blessed patriarch, who wast selected for the office of reputed father of the Word made man, the grief which thou didst feel at seeing the child Jesus born in such great poverty was suddenly changed for thee into heavenly exultation at hearing the angelic harmony, and seeing the glories of that most resplendent night.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, we beseech thee to obtain for us, that after the journey of this life is over, we may pass hence to hear the angelic praises, and to enjoy the splendours of the glory of heaven.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

3. O glorious St. Joseph, who didst fulfil most obediently all God's commands, the most precious blood which the child Redeemer shed in the circumcision struck death into thy heart, but the name of Jesus revived it and filled it full of joy.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us, that all vices having been taken from us during life, we may expire in exultation with the most holy name of Jesus in our hearts and upon our lips.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

4. O most glorious St. Joseph, most faithful saint, who wast a partaker in the mysteries of our redemption, if

Simeon's prophecy of that which Jesus and Mary were to suffer caused thee a mortal pang, it filled thee also with a blessed joy at the salvation and glorious resurrection of innumerable souls, which he at the same time foretold would thence proceed.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us that we may be of the number of those who, through the merits of Jesus, and at the intercession of the Virgin Mother, are to rise again in glory.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

5. O glorious St. Joseph, most watchful guardian and familiar attendant of the incarnate Son of God, how much didst thou suffer in supporting and in serving the Son of the Most High, particularly in the flight which thou hadst to make into Egypt; but how much again didst thou rejoice at having always with thee that same God, and at seeing the idols of Egypt fall to the ground.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us, that by keeping far from us hell's tyrant, especially by flying from dangerous occasions, every idol of earthly affection may fall from our hearts; and that, wholly occupied in the service of Jesus and of Mary, we may live for them alone, and die a happy death.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

6. O glorious St. Joseph, angel of the earth, who didst marvel at beholding the King of Heaven subject to thy commands, if thy consolation at bringing him back from Egypt was disturbed by the fear of Archelaus, yet, assured by the angel, thou didst with Jesus and Mary dwell in joy at Nazareth.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us, that our heart, unclouded by hurtful fears, may enjoy peace of conscience, and that we may live secure with Jesus and Mary, and with them may also die.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

7. O glorious St. Joseph, model of all holiness, when, without fault of thine, thou hadst lost the child Jesus, thou didst seek him for three days in the greatest sorrow,

until with joyful heart thou didst possess again thy life, finding him in the temple among the doctors.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, with fervent sighs we supplicate thee to interpose in our behalf, that so it may never befall us to lose Jesus by mortal sin; but that, if unhappily we ever lose him, we may seek him again with unwearied sorrow, until once more we find his favour, especially at the moment of our death, that so we may pass to the enjoyment of him in heaven, and there with thee sing his divine mercies for all eternity.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

Ant. Jesus himself was beginning about his thirtieth year, being (as it was supposed) the son of Joseph.

Y. Pray for us, O holy Joseph.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, who by thy ineffable Providence didst vouchsafe to choose the blessed Joseph for the spouse of thy most holy Mother, grant, we beseech thee, that he whom we venerate as our protector on earth may be our intercessor in heaven; who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

Indulgences: 100 days each time; 300 days on Wednesdays; 300 days on each day of the two Novenas before his Feast and his Patronage; plenary on those two Feasts; plenary once a month for daily recital; 300 days for each Sunday when recited seven Sundays running. Applicable to the dead.

[Litany of St. Joseph, see p. 109.]

A PRAYER FOR PARDON.

O my only and most loving Lord ! behold me in thy divine Presence all confusion, while I consider the so many and grave offences which I have committed against thee. I beg pardon of thee for them with all my heart ; I repent of them through pure love of thee ; and reflecting on thine infinite goodness, I detest and abominate my sins above every other evil. As I would now rather have died a thousand deaths than have offended thee, so I am fully resolved to lose my life rather than ever offend thee again. O my crucified Jesus ! I firmly purpose to cleanse my soul at all times from every stain in thy most precious Blood through the sacrament of Confession : and do thou, most tender Virgin, Mother of Mercy and refuge of sinners, obtain for me, through thy bitter sorrows, the pardon of all my sins.

* OFFERINGS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS.

1. Eternal Father ! I offer thee the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for the propagation and exaltation of my dear mother the holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of her visible head, the holy Roman Pontiff, for the cardinals, bishops, and pastors of souls, and for all the ministers of the Sanctuary.

¶. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Rv. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Blessed and praised for evermore be Jesus, who hath saved us with his Blood !

2. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for the peace and concord of kings and Catholic princes, for the humiliation of the enemies of the holy faith, and for the happiness of all Christian people.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

3. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for the repentance of unbelievers, the extirpation of all heresies, and the conversion of sinners.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

4. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all my relations, friends, and enemies, for the poor, the sick, and those in tribulation, and for all those for whom thou willest I should pray, or knowest that I ought to pray.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

5. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all those who shall this day pass to another life, that thou mayest deliver them from the pains of hell, and admit them the more readily to the possession of thy glory.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

6. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all those who are lovers of this treasure of his blood, for all those who join with me in adoring and honouring it, and for all those who try to spread the devotion to it.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

7. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all my wants, both spiritual and temporal, for the holy souls in Purgatory, and particularly for those who in lifetime were most devoted to this price of our redemption, and to the sorrows and pains of our dear mother, the most holy Mary.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.
 Blessed and exalted be the Blood of Jesus, now and
 always, and through all eternity !

Indulgences for the above offerings: 300 days each recital. Plenary once a month, with usual conditions, and applicable to the dead, for those who have made them daily

* *Prayers for the Dying.*

Let us say three Our Fathers in honour of the agony of Jesus, and three Hail Mary's in honour of our Lady's dolours, for the faithful who are at this day throughout the world in their last agony.

Indulgences: 300 days every recital. Plenary once a month: both applicable to the dead.

* *Prayers for the Dead.*

Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.

Let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

If thou, O Lord, wilt mark iniquities; Lord, who shall abide it?

Because with thee there is merciful forgiveness, and by reason of thy law I have waited for thee, O Lord.

My soul had relied on his word; my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

From the morning watch even until night, let Israel hope in the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy, and with him plentiful redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord;

And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

¶. Lord, hear my prayer.

¶. And let my cry come to thee.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful,

grant to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins, that, through pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired; who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

V. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord;
R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Indulgences: 100 days every evening. Plenary once a year, for those who have said it daily during the year.

For the Pope.

O God, the Shepherd and the Ruler of all the faithful, look mercifully down on thy servant Pius, whom thou hast chosen to be the Shepherd of thy Church; grant, we beseech thee, that he may, both by word and example, benefit those whom he governs, that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to life everlasting; through our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, who in the unity of the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth with thee, world without end. Amen.

* *Divine Praises.*

V. Blessed be God.
R. Blessed be his holy name.
V. Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.
R. Blessed be the name of Jesus.
V. Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar.
R. Blessed be the great Mother of God, the most holy Mary.
V. Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
R. Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

Indulgence: one year for every recital.

* NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,

Beginning on the 29th of November.¹

EVERY DAY.

Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle within them the fire of thy love.

¶. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created.

¶. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who hast taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant to us in the same spirit to relish what is right, and ever to rejoice in his consolation.

Prevent our actions, we beseech thee, O Lord, by thy inspiration, and further them by thy continual help: that every prayer and work of ours may begin from thee, and by thee be happily ended, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same spirit, God, world without end. Amen.

PREPARATORY PRAYER.

[To be said every day.]

O most pure Virgin, conceived without sin, and from that very first instant entirely beautiful and without spot, O glorious Mary, full of grace, and Mother of my God, Queen of Angels and of men, I humbly worship thee as Mother of my Saviour, inasmuch as God has taught me by the esteem he has for thee, and by his respect and submission towards thee, what honours and what homage I ought to render thee, deign, I beseech thee, to accept this Novena which I consecrate to thee. Thou art the secure refuge of penitent sinners, and I therefore may rightly have recourse to thee; thou art the Mother of

¹ Indulgences: 300 days each day; plenary once on the Feast, or during the Octave. Applicable to the dead.—PIUS VII.

Mercy, and therefore thou canst not but be melted into tenderness by my miseries; thou, after Jesus Christ, art all my hope; thou canst not, then, but be pleased with the tender confidence which I have in thee. Make me worthy to be called thy son, that I may be able to say with confidence, Shew thyself to be a Mother.

Here are to be said nine Hail Marys and a Glory to the Father, and then the following

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST DAY,

The 29th of November.

Behold me at thy most holy feet, O immaculate Virgin. I rejoice with thee exceedingly that from all eternity thou hast been chosen to be the Mother of the Eternal Word, and been preserved from original sin. I thank and bless the most holy Trinity for having enriched thee with these privileges in thy conception; and I humbly implore thee to obtain for me grace to overcome those sad effects which original sin has wrought in me. Ah, do thou enable me to conquer them, and never more to cease to love my God.

Here is to be recited the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, or the following

HYMN.

℣. Tota pulchra es, Maria.	℣. Thou art all fair, O
	Mary. [Mary.
℟. Tota pulchra es, Maria.	℟. Thou art all fair, O
℣. Et macula originalis	℣. And the original stain
non est in te.	is not in thee.
℟. Et macula originalis	℟. And the original stain
non est in te.	is not in thee.
℣. Tu gloria Jerusalem.	℣. Thou art the glory of
	Jerusalem. [rael.
℟. Tu lætitia Israel.	℟. Thou art the joy of Is-
℣. Tu honorificentia populi	℣. Thou our people's spe-
nostrum.	cial honour.

R ^v . Tu advocata peccato-	R ^v . Thou the advocate of
rum.	sinners.
Y ^v . O Maria.	Y ^v . O Mary.
R ^v . O Maria.	R ^v . O Mary.
Y ^v . Virgo prudentissima.	Y ^v . Virgin prudent above all.
R ^v . Mater clementissima.	R ^v . Mother too most merci-
Y ^v . Ora pro nobis.	Y ^v . Pray thou for us. [ful.
R ^v . Intercede pro nobis ad Dominum Iesum Christum.	R ^v . Intercede for us with Jesus Christ our Lord.
Y ^v . In conceptione tua, Vir- go, immaculata fuisti.	Y ^v . In thy conception, Holy Virgin, thou wast im- maculate.
R ^v . Ora pro nobis Patrem cujus Filium pepe- risti.	R ^v . Pray for us to the Fa- ther, whose Son thou didst bring forth.

Let us pray.

O God, who by the Virgin's immaculate conception didst prepare a worthy dwelling for thy Son, we beseech thee, that thou, who, by the death of that same Son of thine, foreseen by thee, didst preserve her from every stain, wouldest grant that by her intercession we also may be purified, and so come to thee.

Then the following:

O God, the shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look mercifully down on thy servant Pius, whom thou hast chosen to be the shepherd of thy Church. Grant, we beseech thee, that he may both by word and example benefit those over whom he governs, that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to life everlasting.

O God, our refuge and our strength, listen to the holy prayers of thy Church, who art thyself the author of holiness, and grant that what we faithfully ask for we may efficaciously obtain, through Christ our Lord.

R^v. Amen.

On the other days, let every thing be said as above, except the following Prayers.

PRAYER FOR THE SECOND DAY,

The 30th of November.

O Mary, immaculate lily of purity, I congratulate with thee, that from the very first instant of thy conception thou hast been filled with grace, and also that the perfect use of reason was conferred upon thee. I thank and adore the most holy Trinity for having imparted to thee graces so sublime; and I am utterly confounded before thee to see myself so poor in grace. Do thou, who wast so entirely filled with heavenly grace, give some portion of it to my soul, and make me a partaker of the treasures of thy immaculate conception.

Here the Litany, or Hymn "Tota Pulchra," as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE THIRD DAY,

The 1st of December.

O Mary, mystical rose of purity, I rejoice with thee that thou didst gloriously triumph in thy immaculate conception over the infernal serpent, and that thou wast conceived without stain of original sin. I thank and praise with all my heart the most holy Trinity for having granted to thee such a privilege; and I implore thee to obtain for me courage to overcome every device of the infernal enemy, and not to stain my soul with sin. Ah, do thou always assist me; and let me, under thy protection, ever triumph over the common enemies of our eternal salvation.

Here the Litany, or Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE FOURTH DAY,

The 2d of December.

O immaculate Virgin Mary, mirror of purity, I rejoice with the utmost joy to see that the most sublime and perfect virtues have been from thy first conception infused

into thee, and with them all the gifts of the Holy Spirit. I thank and praise the most holy Trinity for having favoured thee with these privileges ; and I implore thee, O gracious Mother, to obtain for me the practice of virtues, and to render me thus worthy to receive the gifts and the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE FIFTH DAY,

The 3d of December.

O Mary, bright moon of purity, I congratulate with thee, inasmuch as the mystery of thy immaculate conception was the beginning of the salvation of all the human race and the joy of the whole world. I thank and bless the most holy Trinity for having so exalted and glorified thy person ; and I implore thee to obtain for me grace to know how to profit by the passion and death of thy Jesus, and that the blood shed upon the Cross may not be unavailing for me, but that I may live holily and be saved.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE SIXTH DAY,

The 4th of December.

O immaculate Mary, most resplendent star of purity, I rejoice with thee that thy immaculate conception has brought a most exceeding joy to all the angels of paradise. I thank and bless the most holy Trinity for having enriched thee with so beautiful a privilege. Ah, grant that I may enter one day into a participation of that joy, and may be able, in the company of the angels, to praise and bless thee for eternity.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVENTH DAY,

The 5th of December.

O immaculate Mary, rising morn of purity, I rejoice

with thee, and wonder that in the moment of thy conception thou wast confirmed in grace and made incapable of sin. I thank and extol the most holy Trinity for having distinguished thee alone with this special privilege. Ah, obtain for me, O holy Virgin, an entire and constant abhorrence of sin above every other evil, and that I may sooner die than commit it any more.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE EIGHTH DAY,

The 6th of December.

O Virgin Mary, sun without spot, I congratulate with thee, and rejoice that in thy conception a greater and more abundant grace was bestowed upon thee than all the angels and saints possessed in the fulness of their merits. I thank and admire the sovereign goodness of the most holy Trinity in having enriched thee with this privilege. Ah, enable me to correspond to divine grace, and never more abuse it! Change my heart, and let me from this moment begin to amend my life.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE NINTH DAY,

The 7th of December.

O immaculate Virgin and Mother Mary, living light of holiness and model of purity, thou, when scarcely yet conceived, didst profoundly adore God and thank him, because by thy means, the ancient curse being taken away, the fulness of blessing was coming upon the children of Adam. Ah, let this blessing enkindle in my heart a love of God! Do thou inflame it, that I may love him constantly, and then enjoy him eternally in paradise, where I may be able to thank him more ardently for the singular privileges granted to thee, and behold thee also crowned as thou art with such exceeding glory.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER.

O God, who by the holy family of the Incarnate Word hast consecrated the whole earth, and hast, in Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, given to us the pattern of holy living, grant that we, who by this blessed three implore of thee the grace of holy living, may, together with the angels, come to praise thee in heaven, who livest in thy blissful and undivided trinity of persons, world without end. Amen.

*THE MYSTERIES OF THE SACRED INFANCY.¹

*To be used during the Novena and Octave of Christmas,
or at any other time.*

¶. Incline unto my aid, O God.

By. O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Our Father, &c.

I. *The Incarnation.*

O most sweet infant Jesus, who for our salvation didst descend from the bosom of the eternal Father into the womb of the Virgin Mary, where, conceived by the Holy Ghost, thou didst take upon thee, O Incarnate Word, the form of a servant. Have mercy upon us.

¹ A Plenary Indulgence on the 25th day of every month to those who, being truly contrite and having confessed and communicated, should recite in any church or public oratory where the exercise in honour of the infant Jesus is practised the following prayers, venerating at the same time the twelve mysteries of the Sacred Infancy, and praying for the intention of his Holiness; and 300 days, once a-day, for reciting the same in private. Both applicable to the souls in purgatory.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

II. The Visitation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who by means of thy Virgin Mother didst visit St. Elizabeth, and filling thy forerunner, St. John Baptist, with the Holy Spirit, didst sanctify him from his mother's womb. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

III. The Expectation of the Birth.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who for nine months enclosed in the womb didst wait for the time of thy birth, and didst meantime inflame the heart of the Virgin Mary and St. Joseph with most ardent longings, and didst offer thyself to God the Father for the salvation of the world. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

IV. The Holy Nativity.

O most sweet infant Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem, wrapped in poor swaddling clothes, laid in the manger, glorified by angels, and visited by shepherds. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

O Jesu ! born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to thee ;
Praise to the Father infinite,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

℣. Christ is at hand.

℟. O come, let us worship him.

Our Father, &c.

V. The Circumcision.

O most sweet infant Jesus, circumcised when eight days old, and called by the glorious name of Jesus, and proclaimed, both by thy name and by thy blood, to be the Saviour of the world. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

VI. The Adoration of the Kings.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who wert manifested to the three kings, who worshipped thee as thou didst lie on Mary's breast, and offered to thee the mysterious presents of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

VII. The Presentation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, presented in the temple by the Virgin Mary, embraced by the holy old man Simeon, and revealed to the Jews by Anna the prophetess. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

℟. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

VIII. The Flight into Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, whom Herod sought to slay, carried by St. Joseph with thy Mother into Egypt, saved from death by flight, and glorified by the blood of the holy innocents. Have mercy upon us.

℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to thee;
Praise to the Father infinite,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

V. Christ is at hand.

R. O come, let us worship him.

Our Father, &c.

IX. The Sojourn in Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who didst dwell as an exile in Egypt for seven years, where thou utteredst thy first words, and, loosed from thy swathing bands, didst first begin to walk upon this earth, and, in the destruction of the idols, didst work in a hidden manner thy first miracles. Have mercy upon us.

V. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

X. The Return from Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who when Herod was dead wast recalled out of Egypt into the land of Israel, and didst in the journey suffer many fatigues and hardships, and wert carried back by Mary and Joseph to the city of Nazareth. Have mercy upon us.

V. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

XI. The Life in the Holy House.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who in the holy house of Nazareth didst dwell most holily, and didst pass thy life in obedience, poverty, and toil, and as thou increasedst in years didst manifest to God and men signs of wisdom and of grace. Have mercy upon us.

V. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

XII. *The Disputing with the Doctors.*

O most sweet infant Jesus, who wert taken to Jerusalem when twelve years old, wert lost by thy parents, and sought for by them with sorrow, and after three days wert found, to their exceeding joy, with the doctors in the temple. Have mercy upon us.

¶. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

¶. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to thee;
Praise to the Father infinite,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

Our Father, &c.

During the Year.

¶. The Word was made flesh.

¶. And dwelt amongst us.

At Christmas and during the Octave add, Alleluia.

At the Epiphany and during the Octave.

¶. Christ hath manifested himself unto us. Alleluia.
¶. O come, let us worship him. Alleluia.

Let us pray.

O almighty and everlasting God, Lord of heaven and earth, who didst reveal thyself to little ones, grant, we beseech thee, that while we duly celebrate and honour the most holy mysteries of thy Son, the infant Jesus, and worthily strive to imitate them, we may arrive at that heavenly kingdom which thou hast promised to little children, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Say, "Eternal rest give to them," &c., three times for the souls in Purgatory who were devout to the infant Jesus, and one Hail Mary for the intention of the promoter of this devotion.

Seven Supplications for the holy Souls in Purgatory,

THROUGH THE MOST BITTER PASSION AND DEATH OF CHRIST.

1. O Jesus, our defence and health, who for our sakes didst endure so great agonies in the garden, that thy sweat became as drops of blood, trickling down upon the ground; through this thy most precious blood, I humbly beseech thee, have mercy on the holy souls in purgatory, especially [*that soul which is most destitute*]. Deliver them from all their torments, and wipe away all tears from their eyes. (Apoc. vii. 17.) Pater, Ave.

2. O Jesus, our Redeemer and Saviour, who wast taken captive for our sins; through these thy most cruel bonds, I humbly beseech thee, have mercy on the holy souls in purgatory, especially [*that soul which is nearest entering into heaven*]. Loose all the bonds of their sins, wherewith human frailty hath entangled them in this life, that with joy they may sacrifice to thee the sacrifice of praise. (Ps. cxv. 17.) Pater, Ave.

3. O Jesus, joy of my heart, who didst permit thy blessed countenance, on which Angels desire to look, to be blindfolded, spit upon, and struck with blows; through this thy incomprehensible patience, I humbly beseech thee, have mercy on the holy souls in purgatory, especially [*that soul which was to be delivered last*]. Admit them into the brightness of thy light, and fill them with joy with thy countenance. (Ps. xv. 11.) Pater, Ave.

4. O Jesus, crown of our glory, who for our pride wast lacerated with scourges, and ignominiously crowned with cruel thorns; through this thy extreme humility, I humbly beseech thee, have mercy on the holy souls in purgatory, especially [*that soul for which I am most bound to pray*]. Vouchsafe to grant that they may speedily obtain the crown of eternal glory; for thou art he that crowneth us with mercy and compassion. (Ps. cii. 4.) Pater, Ave.

5. O Jesus, our life and resurrection, who, departing out of this world, didst leave us thy flesh and blood for meat and drink ; through this thy infinite love, I humbly beseech thee, have mercy on the holy souls in purgatory, especially [*that soul which was most devout to this sacrament of love*] Conduct them to the fountains of life, and grant that they may speedily eat and drink at thy table in thy kingdom. (Luke xxii. 30.) Pater, Ave.

6. O Jesus, our advocate and judge, who, by a most unjust judgment, wast condemned to a most bitter death, that thou mightest deliver us from eternal damnation ; through the abyss of thy mercy, I humbly beseech thee, have mercy on the holy souls in purgatory, especially [*that soul which was most devout to thy Sacred Heart*]. Let them hear that word of consolation : Your iniquity is forgiven. (Is. xl. 2.) Pater, Ave.

7. O Jesus, our highest, our only good, who didst thyself bear our sins in thy body on the wood ; through this thy immense benefit, I humbly beseech thee, have mercy on the holy souls in purgatory, especially [*that soul which was most devout to Mary*]. Let the entrance to eternal glory speedily be opened to them, and let them hear with joy : Come, ye blessed of my Father, possess ye the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. (Matt. xxv. 34.) Pater, Ave.

De profundis, p. 70.

An Invocation to be made after the preceding Prayers.

O ye holy Angels, and all ye elect of God, succour with your assistance the souls of the faithful departed. And do thou, above all, intercede in their behalf, and shew to them thy blessed Son, O merciful, O kind, O sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

To thee, most holy Virgin Mary, my Mother, do I turn in humble supplication, confidently praying to thee, and entreating thee, that, for that sword which pierced thy heart, when thou sawest thy beloved Son Jesus bow his head and give up the ghost, thou wouldest succour the

poor souls in purgatory, and those especially of which particular mention hath here been made. O Mother of sorrows, O Queen of martyrs, for the love of Jesus, who died for us on the cross, help us also with thy powerful prayers, who are in danger not only of falling into purgatory, but even of being lost eternally. O Mary, our dear Mother, Mother of grace, Mother of mercy, take pity upon us.

A Prayer that may be said daily.

O most gracious God, Father of mercies, God of infinite goodness, behold me humbly prostrate before thy throne: I pray and beseech thee to have mercy upon the holy souls in purgatory; cast a propitious look upon them, especially N. and N.; deliver them from their sufferings, and put them in possession of their everlasting inheritance. Remember that they are the works of thy hand, purchased by the most precious blood of thy divine Son Jesus, and shew thy infinite mercy upon them. Hear, O Lord, the prayers that I put up to thee with confidence, through the merits of the passion and death of Jesus, thy most beloved Son, that they may receive their consolation, and enjoy without delay that immortal glory which thou hast prepared for thine elect. So I hope, and so let it be.

O eternal Father, for the most precious blood of Jesus, and for the most bitter dolours of Mary, have pity and compassion upon the souls in purgatory. Amen.

A Chaplet for the Souls in Purgatory.

To be said on an ordinary Rosary, by repeating the De profundis at the cross; the Pater at the larger beads; and at the smaller, the following invocation:

O good Jesus, have mercy on the souls in purgatory (or the soul, or souls of N.), and grant to them eternal rest.

When the chaplet is addressed to the Blessed Virgin, the *Ave Maria* is said at the larger beads; and at the smaller, the following invocation:

O Mary, mother of grace, mother of mercy, pray for and obtain for them eternal rest.

Each decade may be offered with a particular intention, by using the following or similar forms:

1st decade. I offer thee, O my Saviour, this first decade for the souls of all my relations: through the precious blood which thou didst shed for them in thy agony in the Garden of Olives, O good Jesus, have mercy on them.

2d. I offer thee, O my Saviour, this second decade for the souls of all those who have shewn me kindness: through the precious blood which thou didst shed for them in thy scourging, O good Jesus, have mercy on them.

3d. I offer thee, O my Saviour, this third decade for the souls of those whom I have at any time offended (*or* for the soul that is most destitute: *or* for the souls that were the most devout to the most holy Virgin): through the precious blood which thou didst shed for them in carrying thy cross to Calvary, O good Jesus, have mercy on them.

4th. I offer thee, O my Saviour, this fourth decade for the souls of my friends and companions: through the precious blood which thou didst pour forth upon the cross, and through the dolours which Mary, our tender mother, endured at the foot of the cross, O good Jesus, have mercy on them.

5th. I offer thee, O my Saviour, this fifth decade for the soul of my father (*or* of my mother: *or* of N. . . .): I offer thee for this soul so dear to me, the precious blood and the sacred water that flowed for it from thy heart, transfixed by the lance: through the mysterious wound in thy divine heart, O good Jesus, open to this soul the gate of heaven, and grant me grace to be re-united with it for ever in the bosom of thy goodness.

Psalm lxxxiii. *Quam dilecta.*

Quam dilécta tabernáculata,
Dómine virtútum! * concupis-
cit et déficit ánima mea in átria
Dómini.

Cor meum et caro mea * ex-
ultavérunt in Deum vivum.

Etenim passer invénit sibi
domum: * et turtur nidum sibi,
ubi ponat pullos suos.

Altária tua, Dómine virtú-
tum: * Rex meus, et Deus
meus.

Beáti qui hábitant in domo
tua, Dómine: * in sècula sæ-
culórum laudábunt te.

Beátus vir cujus est auxili-
um abs te: * ascensiones in
corde suo dispósuit, in valle
lacrymárum, in loco quem
pósuit.

Etenim benedictiōnem dabit
legislátor, ibunt de virtute in
virtútem: * vidébitur Deus de-
órum in Sion.

Dómine Deus virtútum, ex-
audi oratiōnem meam: * auri-
bus pérripe, Deus Jacob.

Protéctor noster áspice, Deus:
* et résponce in fáciem Christi
tui.

Quia mélior est dies una in
átriis tuis * super millia.

Elégi abjectus esse in domo
Dei mei, * magis quam habitare
in tabernáculis peccatórum.

1 How lovely are thy taber-
nacles, O Lord of hosts: my
soul longeth and fainteth for the
courts of the Lord.

2 My heart and my flesh:
have rejoiced in the living God.

3 For the sparrow hath found
her a house: and the turtle a
nest for herself, where she may
lay her young.

4 Even thy altars, O Lord of
Hosts: my King and my God.

5 Blessed are they that dwell
in thy house, O Lord: they shall
praise thee for ever and ever.

6 Blessed is the man whose
help is from thee: in his heart
he hath disposed to ascend by
steps, in the vale of tears, in
the place that he hath fixed.

7 For the lawgiver shall give
a blessing, they shall go from
virtue to virtue: the God of
gods shall be seen in Sion.

8 O Lord God of hosts, hear
my prayer: give ear, O God of
Jacob.

9 Behold, O God, our pro-
tector: and look upon the face
of thine Anointed.

10 For one day in thy courts:
is better than a thousand.

11 I have chosen rather to be
an abject in the house of my
God: than to dwell in the ta-
bernacles of sinners.

Quia misericordiam, et veritatem diligit Deus: * gratiam et gloriam dabit Dominus.

Non privabit bonis eos qui ambulant in innocentia: * Domine virtutum, beatus homo qui sperat in te.

Gloria, &c.

Psalm cxxvii. *Beati omnes.*

Béati omnes qui timent Dominum: * qui ambulant in viis ejus.

Labores manuum tuarum quia manducabis: * beatus es, et bene tibi erit.

Uxor tua sicut vitis abundans: * in latribus domus tuae.

Fili tui sicut novellæ oliværum: * in circuitu mensæ tuae.

Ecce sic benedicetur homo: * qui timet Dominum.

Benedicat tibi Dominus ex Sion: * et videas bona Jerusalæ omnibus diebus vitae tuae.

Et videas filios filiorum tuorum: * pacem super Israel.

Glória, &c.

12 For God loveth mercy and truth: the Lord will give grace and glory.

13 He will not deprive of good things them that walk in innocence: O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that hopeth in thee.

Glory, &c.

Beati omnes.

1 Blessed are all they that fear the Lord: that walk in his ways.

2 For thou shalt eat of the labour of thine hands: blessed art thou, and it shall be well with thee.

3 Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine: on the walls of thy house.

4 Thy children as olive-plants: round about thy table.

5 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.

6 May the Lord bless thee out of Sion: and mayest thou see the good things of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

7 And mayest thou see thy children's children: peace upon Israel.

Glory, &c.

Psalm 1. *Miserere.*

Miserere *mei Deus: * secúndum magnam misericórdiam tuam.*

Et secúndum *multitúdinem miserátorum tuárum: * dele iniquitátem meam.*

Amplius *lava me ab iniquitáte mea: * et a peccáto meo munda me.*

Quóniam *iniquitátem meam ego cognosco: * et peccátum meum contra me est semper.*

Tibi *soli peccávi, et malum coram te feci: * ut justificérис in sermonibus tuis, et vincas cum judicáris.*

Ecce *enim in iniquitáibus concéptus sum: * et in peccátis concépit me mater mea.*

Ecce *enim veritátem dilexi: * incépta et occulta sapiéntiae tuæ manifestásti mihi.*

Aspérges *me hyssópo, et mundabor: * lavábis me, et super nivem dealbábor.*

Auditui *meo dabis gaúdium et letitiam: * et exultábunt ossa humiliáta.*

Avérte *faciem tuam a peccátis meis: * et omnes iniquitátes meas dele.*

1 *Have mercy upon me, O God: according to thy great mercy.*

2 *And according to the multitude of thy tender mercies: blot out my iniquity.*

3 *Wash me yet more from my iniquity: and cleanse me from my sin.*

4 *For I acknowledge my iniquity: and my sin is always before me.*

5 *Against thee only have I sinned, and done evil in thy sight: that thou mayest be justified in thy words, and mayest overcome when thou art judged.*

6 *For behold, I was conceived in iniquities: and in sins did my mother conceive me.*

7 *For behold, thou hast loved truth: the uncertain and hidden things of thy wisdom thou hast made manifest unto me.*

8 *Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.*

9 *Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: and the bones that were humbled shall rejoice.*

10 *Turn away thy face from my sins: and blot out all my iniquities.*

Cor mundum crea in me, Deus: * et spíritum rectum inno-va in viscéribus meis.

Ne projicias me a fácie tua: * et Spíritum sanctum tuum ne atúferas a me.

Redde mihi lætitiam salutáris tui: * et spíritu principáli confirma me.

Docébo iníquos vias tuas: * et impíi ad te converténtur.

Líbera me de sanguinibus, Deus, Deus salútis meæ: * et exultábit lingua mea justítiam tuam.

Dómine, lábia mea apéries: * et os meum annuntiábit laudem tuam.

Quóniam si voluisses sacrifi-cium, dedissem útique: * holocáustis non delectáberis.

Sacrificium Deo spíritus con-tribulátus: * cor contrítum et humiliátum, Deus, non despí-cies.

Benigne fac, Dómine, in bo-na voluntáte tua Sion: * ut aedificéntur muri Jerúsalem.

Tunc acceptábis sacrificium justitiae, oblationes, et holocáusta: * tunc impónent super altáre tuum vitulos.

11 Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spí-rit within my bowels.

12 Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

13 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation: and strengthen me with a perfect spirit.

14 I will teach the unjust thy ways: and the wicked shall be converted unto thee.

15 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall extol thy justice.

16 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall declare thy praise.

17 For if thou hadst desired sacrifice, I would surely have given it: with burnt-offerings thou wilt not be delighted.

18 The sacrifice of God is an afflicted spirit: a contrite and humble heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

19 Deal favourably, O Lord, in thy good will with Sion: that the walls of Jerusalem may be built up.

20 Then shalt thou accept the sacrifice of justice, oblations, and whole burnt offerings: then shall they lay calves upon thine altars.

* Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus.

Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy.
<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	<i>Lord have mercy.</i>
Christe eleison.	Christ have mercy.
<i>Christe eleison.</i>	<i>Christ have mercy.</i>
Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy.
<i>Kyrie eleison.</i>	<i>Lord have mercy.</i>
Christe audi nos.	Christ hear us.
<i>Christe exaudi nos.</i>	<i>Christ graciously hear us.</i>
Pater de cœlis Deus,	God the Father of heaven,
Fili Redemptor mundi	God the Son, Redeemer
Deus,	of the world,
Spiritus Sancte Deus,	God the Holy Ghost,
Sancta Trinitas, unus	Holy Trinity, one God,
Deus,	
Jesu, Fili Dei vivi,	Jesus, Son of the living
Jesu, Splendor Patris,	God,
Jesu, Candor lucis æ-	
ternæ,	
Jesu, Rex gloriæ,	Jesus, Splendour of the
Jesu, Sol justitiæ,	Father,
Jesu, Fili Mariæ Vir-	Jesus, Brightness of eter-
ginis,	nal light,
Jesu, admirabilis,	Jesus, King of glory,
Jesu, Deus foris,	Jesus, the Sun of justice,
Jesu, Pater futuri sæculi,	Jesus, Son of the Virgin
Jesu, magni consilii An-	Mary,
gele,	
Jesu, potentissime,	Jesus, most admirable,
Jesu, patientissime,	Jesus, the mighty God,
Jesu, obedientissime,	Jesus, the Father of the
Jesu, mitis et humilis	world to come,
corde,	
Jesu, Amator castitatis,	Jesus, the Angel of great
	counsel,
	Jesus, most powerful,
	Jesus, most patient,
	Jesus, most obedient,
	Jesus, meek and humble
	of heart,
	Jesus, Lover of chastity,

Have mercy on us.

Jesu, Amor noster,
 Jesu, Deus pacis,
 Jesu, Auctor vitae,
 Jesu, Exemplar virtutum,
 Jesu, Zelator animarum,
 Jesu, Deus noster,
 Jesu, Refugium nostrum,
 Jesu, Pater pauperum,
 Jesu, Thesaurus fidelium,
 Jesu, Bone Pastor,
 Jesu, Lux vera,
 Jesu, Sapientia Æterna,
 Jesu, Bonitas infinita,
 Jesu, Via et Vita nostra,
 Jesu, Gaudium Angelorum,
 Jesu, Magister Apostolorum,
 Jesu, Doctor Evangelistarum,
 Jesu, Fortitudo Martyrum,
 Jesu, Lumen Confessorum,
 Jesu, Puritas Virginum,
 Jesu, Corona Sanctorum omnium,
 Propitius esto.
Parce nobis, Jesu.
 Propitius esto.

Miserere nobis.

Jesus, our Beloved,
 Jesus, the God of peace,
 Jesus, the Author of life,
 Jesus, the Example of all
 virtues,
 Jesus, the zealous Lover
 of souls,
 Jesus, our God,
 Jesus, our Refuge,
 Jesus, the Father of the
 poor,
 Jesus, the Treasure of
 the faithful,
 Jesus, the Good She-
 herd,
 Jesus, the true Light,
 Jesus, the Eternal Wis-
 dom,
 Jesus, infinite Goodness,
 Jesus, our Way and our
 Life,
 Jesus, the Joy of Angels,
 Jesus, the Master of the
 Apostles,
 Jesus, the Teacher of the
 Evangelists,
 Jesus, the Strength of
 Martyrs,
 Jesus, the Light of Con-
 fessors,
 Jesus, the Purity of Vir-
 gins,
 Jesus, the Crown of all
 Saints,
 Be merciful.
Spare us, O Jesus.
 Be merciful.

Have mercy on us.

Exaudi nos, Jesu.

Ab omni peccato,

Ab ira tua,

Ab insidiis diaboli,

A spiritu fornicationis,

A morte perpetua,

A neglectu inspiratio-
num tuarum,Per mysterium sancte
Incarnationis tuse,

Per Nativitatem tuam,

Per Infantiam tuam,

Per divinissimam Vitam
tuam,

Per Labores tuos,

Per Agoniam et Passion-
em tuam,Per Crucem et Derelicti-
onem tuam,

Per Languores tuos,

Per Mortem et Sepultu-
ram tuam,Per Resurrectionem tu-
am,

Per Ascensionem tuam,

Per Gaudia tua,

Per Gloriam tuam,

Agnus Dei, qui tollis pec-
cata mundi,*Parce nobis, Jesu.*Agnus Dei, qui tollis pec-
cata mundi,*Exaudi nos, Jesu.**Graciously hear us, O
Jesus.*From all sin,
From thy wrath,
From the snares of the
devil,From the spirit of forni-
cation,From everlasting death,
From neglect of thy in-
spirations,Through the mystery of
thy holy Incarnation,
Through thy Nativity,
Through thine Infancy,
Through thy most divine
Life,Through thy Labours,
Through thine Agony
and Passion,
Through thy Cross andDereliction,
Through thy Weariness
and Faintness,Through thy Death and
Burial,Through thy Resurrec-
tion,
Through thine Ascen-
sion,Through thy Joys,
Through thy Glory,Lamb of God, who takest
away the sins of the world,
*Spare us, O Jesus.*Lamb of God, who takest
away the sins of the world,
*Graciously hear us, O Jesus**Liberate us, Jesu.**Jesus, deliver us.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis pec-
cata mundi,
Miserere nobis, Jesu.
Jesu, audi nos.
Jesu, exaudi nos.*

Lamb of God, who takest
away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us, O Jesus.
Jesus, hear us.
Jesus, graciously hear us.

¶. *Confitebimur tibi,
Deus.*
R. *Et invocabimus No-
men tuum.*

¶. *We will praise thee,
O God.*
R. *And we will call upon
thy Name.*

Oremus.

Domine Jesu Christe, qui dixisti, "Petite, et accipietis; quærите, et invenietis; pulsate, et aperietur vobis;" quæsumus, da nobis petentibus divinissimi tui amoris, affectum ut te toto corde, ore et opere diligamus, et a tua nunquam laude cessemus.

Sancti Nominis tui timorem pariter et amorem fac nos habere perpetuum: quia nunquam tua gubernatione destituis, quos in soliditate tuæ dilectionis instituis. Qui vivis et regnas, Deus, in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Deus, qui unigenitum Filium tuum constituisti humani generis Salvatorem, et Jesum vocari jussisti; concede propitius, ut cuius

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast said, "Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you;" grant, we beseech thee, to us who ask the gift of thy divine love, that we may love thee with our whole heart, in word and work, and never cease from shewing forth thy praise.

Grant that we may have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name; for thou never failest to direct and govern those whom thou instructest in thy true and solid love. Who livest and reignest, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O God, who hast appointed thine only-begotten Son the Saviour of mankind, and hast commanded that he should be called Jesus;

sanctum Nomen veneramur
in terris, ejus quoque as-
pectu perfruamur in cœlis.
Per eundem Dominum nos-
trum. Amen.

mercifully grant, that we
may enjoy in heaven the
blessed vision of Him, whose
holy Name we venerate upon
earth. Through the same
our Lord. Amen.

Vel,

Deus, qui gloriosissimum
Nomen Domini nostri Jesu
Christi, unigeniti Filii tui,
fecisti fidelibus tuis summo
suavitatis affectu amabile, et
malignis spiritibus tremen-
dum atque terribile; con-
cede propitius, ut omnes,
qui hoc nomen Jesu devote
venerantur in terris, sanctæ
consolationis dulcedinem in
præsenti percipiant, et in
futuro gaudium exultatō-
nis, et interminabilis jubil-
ationis obtineant in cœlis.
Per eundem Dominum nos-
trum Jesum Christum Fi-
lium tuum, qui tecum vivit
et regnat, in unitate Spiritus
Sancti, Deus, per omnia sæ-
cula sœculorum. Amen.

Or,

O God, who hast made the
most glorious Name of our
Lord Jesus Christ, thine
only-begotten Son, so lovely
to thy faithful, that their
hearts are ravished with de-
light, and so terrible to the
spirits of evil, that they
tremble before it; mercifully
grant, that all who devoutly
venerate this name Jesus on
earth, may experience the
sweetness of a holy consola-
tion in the present life, and
attain unto joys unspeak-
able and never-ending glory
hereafter in heaven. Through
the same our Lord Jesus
Christ, thy Son, who liveth
and reigneth with thee, in
the unity of the Holy Ghost,
God, world without end.
Amen.

* Litany of the Blessed Virgin;

COMMONLY CALLED THE LITANY OF LORETTO.

Ant. Sub tuum præsidi-
um confugimus, sancta Dei
Genitrix, nostras depreca-
tiones ne despicias in ne-
cessitatibus nostris; sed a
periculis cunctis libera nos
semper, Virgo gloriosa et
benedicta.

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe audi nos.

Christe exaudi nos.

Pater de cœlis Deus,

Fili Redemptor mundi

Deus,

Spiritus Sancte Deus,

Sancta Trinitas, unus

Deus,

Sancta Maria,

Sancta Dei Genitrix,

Sancta Virgo Virginum,

Mater Christi,

Mater divinæ gratiæ,

Mater purissima,

Mater castissima,

Mater inviolata,

Mater intemerata,

Mater amabilis,

Mater admirabilis,

Mater Creatoris,

Mater Salvatoris,

Ant. We fly to thy pa-
tronage, O holy Mother of
God, despise not our peti-
tions in our necessities; but
deliver us always from all
dangers, O glorious and
blessed Virgin.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer

of the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Miserere nobis.

Ora pro nobis.

Have mercy on us.

Pray for us.

Holy Mary,

Holy Mother of God,

Holy Virgin of virgins,

Mother of Christ,

Mother of divine grace,

Mother most pure,

Mother most chaste,

Mother inviolate,

Mother undefiled,

Mother most amiable,

Mother most admirable,

Mother of our Creator,

Mother of our Saviour,

Virgo prudentissima,	Virgin most prudent,
Virgo veneranda,	Virgin most venerable,
Virgo prædicanda,	Virgin most renowned,
Virgo potens,	Virgin most powerful,
Virgo clemens,	Virgin most merciful,
Virgo fidelis,	Virgin most faithful,
Speculum justitiae,	Mirror of justice,
Sedes sapientiae,	Seat of Wisdom,
Causa nostræ lætitiae,	Cause of our joy,
Vas spirituale,	Spiritual Vessel,
Vas honorabile,	Vessel of honour,
Vas insigne devotionis,	Vessel of singular devotion,
Rosa mystica,	Mystical Rose,
Turris Davidica,	Tower of David,
Turris eburnea,	Tower of ivory,
Domus aurea,	House of gold,
Fœderis arca,	Ark of the covenant,
Janua cœli,	Gate of heaven,
Stella matutina,	Morning star,
Salus infirmorum,	Health of the sick,
Refugium peccatorum,	Refuge of sinners,
Consolatrix affictorum,	Comforter of the afflicted,
Auxilium Christianorum,	Help of Christians,
Regina Angelorum,	Queen of Angels,
Regina Patriarcharum,	Queen of Patriarchs,
Regina Prophetarum,	Queen of Prophets,
Regina Apostolorum,	Queen of Apostles,
Regina Martyrum,	Queen of Martyrs,
Regina Confessorum,	Queen of Confessors,
Regina Virginum,	Queen of Virgins,
Regina Sanctorum omnium,	Queen of all Saints,
Regina sine labe originali concepta,	Queen conceived without original sin,
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Ora pro nobis.

Pray for us.

Parce nobis, Domine.

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis pec-
cata mundi,*

Exaudi nos, Domine.

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis pec-
cata mundi,*

Miserere nobis.

Christe audi nos.

Christe exaudi nos.

Ant. Sub tuum præsi-
dium configimus, sancta
Dei Genitrix, nostras de-
precationes ne despicias in
necessitatibus nostris; sed
a periculis cunctis libera
nos semper, Virgo gloria
et benedicta.

*℣. Ora pro nobis, sancta
Dei Genitrix.*

*R. Ut digni efficiamur
promissionibus Christi.*

Oremus.

Defende, quæsumus, Do-
mine, beata Maria semper
virgine, intercedente, istam
ab omni adversitate fami-
liam: et toto corde tibi
prostratam ab hostium pro-
pitius tuere clementer insi-
diis. Per Christum Do-
minum nostrum. Amen.

R. Amen.

*℣. Divinum auxilium
maneat semper nobiscum.*

R. Amen.

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest
away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest
away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Ant. We fly to thy pa-
tronage, O holy Mother of
God, despise not our peti-
tions in our necessities; but
deliver us always from all
dangers, O glorious and
blessed Virgin.

*℣. Pray for us, O holy
Mother of God.*

*R. That we may be made
worthy of the promises of
Christ.*

Let us pray.

Defend, O Lord, we be-
seech thee, by the interces-
sion of blessed Mary ever
virgin, this thy family from
all adversity; and merci-
fully protect us, who pros-
trate ourselves before thee
with all our hearts, from the
snares of the enemy. Through
Christ our Lord. Amen.

R. Amen.

*℣. May the divine assist-
ance remain always with us.*

R. Amen.

LITANIES FOR VARIOUS SEASONS.

Litany of the Holy Ghost.

Lord have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
 Christ have mercy.
 Christ have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
 Christ hear us.
 Christ graciously hear us.
 God the Father of heaven.
 God the Son, Redeemer of the world.
 God the Holy Ghost.
 Holy Trinity, one God.
 Holy Ghost, who proceedest from the Father and the Son,
 Holy Ghost, co-equal with the Father and the Son,
 Promise of the Father, most loving and most bounteous,
 Gift of the most high God,
 Ray of heavenly light,
 Author of all good,
 Source of living water,
 Consuming Fire,
 Burning Love.
 Spiritual Unction,
 Spirit of truth and of power,
 Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
 Spirit of counsel and of fortitude,
 Spirit of knowledge and of piety,
 Spirit of the fear of the Lord.
 Spirit of compunction and of penance,

Have mercy on us.

Spirit of grace and of prayer,
 Spirit of charity, peace, and joy,
 Spirit of patience, longanimity, and goodness,
 Spirit of benignity, mildness, and fidelity,
 Spirit of modesty, continence, and chastity,
 Spirit of adoption of the sons of God,
 Holy Ghost, the Comforter,
 Holy Ghost, the Sanctifier,
 Who in the beginning didst move over the waters,
 By whose inspiration spake the holy men of God,
 Who didst overshadow Mary,
 Who didst co-operate in the miraculous conception of the Son of God,
 Who didst descend upon Him at his baptism,
 Who, on the day of Pentecost, didst appear in fiery tongues upon the disciples of the Lord,
 By whom we also are born again,
 Who dwellest in us,
 Who governest the Church,
 Who fillest the whole world,
 Holy Ghost, *We beseech thee, hear us.*
 That thou wouldest renew the face of the earth,
 That thou wouldest shed?

abroad thy light in our hearts,
 That thou wouldest write thy law in our hearts,
 That thou wouldest inflame them with the fire of thy love,
 That thou wouldest open to us the treasures of thy grace,
 That thou wouldest teach us to ask for them according to thy will,
 That thou wouldest enlighten us with thy heavenly inspirations,
 That thou wouldest keep us to thyself by thy powerful attractions,
 That thou wouldest grant to us the knowledge alone necessary,
 That thou wouldest help us to love and bear with each other,
 That thou wouldest lead us in the way of thy commandments,
 That thou wouldest make us obedient to thy inspirations,
 That thou wouldest teach us to pray, and thyself pray within us,
 That thou wouldest clothe us with love and compassion towards our brethren,

That thou wouldest inspire us with a horror of evil,
 That thou wouldest direct us in the practice of good,
 That thou wouldest give us the grace of all virtues,
 That thou wouldest cause us to persevere in justice,
 That thou wouldest be thyself ^{We beseech} our everlasting reward,
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
 Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
 V. Create in us a clean heart.
 O God.
 R. And renew a right spirit within us.

Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful Father, that thy Divine Spirit may enlighten, inflame, and cleanse our hearts; that he may penetrate us with his heavenly dew, and make us fruitful in good works. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Life of Jesus Christ.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
 Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
 Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,
 God the Son, Redeemer of
 the world,
 God the Holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity, one God,
 Jesus, sent into the world by
 the Father,
 Jesus, conceived by the Holy
 Ghost,
 Jesus, who didst put on the
 form of a servant,
 Jesus, born of the Virgin
 Mary,
 Jesus, adored by thy Mother,
 Jesus, wrapped in swaddling
 clothes,
 Jesus, cradled in a manger,
 Jesus, nourished at a virgin's
 breast,
 Jesus, manifesting thyself to *Have mercy on us.*
 shepherds,
 Jesus, submitting to the law
 of circumcision,
 Jesus, adored by the Magi,
 Jesus, presented in the
 Temple,
 Jesus, received into the arms
 of the just Simeon,
 Jesus, exiled into Egypt,
 Jesus, persecuted by Herod,
 Jesus, brought up at Nazareth,
 Jesus, found in the Temple
 in the midst of the Doctors,
 Jesus, subject to thy Parents,
 Jesus, baptised by John,
 Jesus, tempted in the desert,
 Jesus, choosing for thy dis-
 ciples the poor and igno-
 rant,
 Jesus, assisting the afflicted,
 Jesus, transfigured on the
 mountain,
 Jesus, weeping over Jerusa-
 lem,

Jesus, entering Jerusalem as
 King of peace,
 Jesus, driving the buyers and
 sellers from the Temple,
 Jesus, washing thy disciples'
 feet,
 Jesus, eating the Pasch with
 thy disciples,
 Jesus, giving thy Body for
 food, and thy Blood for
 drink,
 Jesus, praying in the Garden
 of Olives,*
 Jesus, betrayed by Judas,
 Jesus, hated and spitefully
 treated,
 Jesus, scourged and crowned
 with thorns,
 Jesus, going up to Calvary,
 Jesus, crucified between two *Have mercy on us.*
 thieves,
 Jesus, made the scorn of
 men,
 Jesus, dying upon the cross,
 Jesus, after thy death, going
 down into hell,
 Jesus, rising again for our
 justification,
 Jesus, ascending into hea-
 ven,
 Jesus, sitting down at the
 right hand of the Father,
 Jesus, crowned with glory
 and honour,
 Jesus, sending down on thy
 disciples the Holy Ghost
 the Paraclete,
 Jesus, preparing for the just
 an eternal kingdom,
 Lamb of God, who takest away
 the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord Jesus.
 Lamb of God, who takest away
 the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord
Jesus.

* This Litany may be connected with the following, by passing from this asterisk to that in the next page. Taken thus together, they form one continuous Litany.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us, O Lord
Jesus.

Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.

Let us pray.

O God, who willest not the
death, but the conversion of
sinners; look favourably on thy

people, who, honouring the hu-
miliations and the glories of
thy holy life, fly to thy refuge
with a contrite heart; and in
thy merciful kindness turn
from us war, famine, pestilence,
and all the other scourges of
thine anger. Who livest and
reignest for ever and ever.
Amen.

Litany of the Passion.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of
the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Jesus, the Eternal Wisdom,

Jesus, conversing with men,

Jesus, hated by the world,

Jesus, sold for thirty pieces
of silver,

*Jesus, prostrate on the
ground in prayer,

Jesus, strengthened by an
angel,

Jesus, in thine agony, bathed
in a bloody sweat.

Jesus, betrayed by Judas
with a kiss,

Jesus, bound by the soldiers,

Jesus, forsaken by thy disci-
ples,

Jesus, brought before Annas
and Caiaphas,

Jesus, struck by a servant
on the face,

Jesus, accused by false wit-
nesses,

Jesus, declared worthy of
death,

Jesus, spit upon in the face,

Jesus, blindfolded,

Jesus, smitten on the cheek,

Jesus, thrice denied by Pe-
ter,

Jesus, delivered up to Pilate,
Jesus, despised and mocked
by Herod,

Jesus, clothed in a white
garment,

Jesus, rejected for Barabbas,

Jesus, torn with scourges,

Jesus, bruised for our sins,

Jesus, esteemed as a leper,

Jesus, covered with a purple
robe,

Jesus, crowned with thorns,

Jesus, struck with a reed
upon the head,

Jesus, demanded for cruci-
fixion by the Jews,

Jesus, condemned to an igno-
minious death,

Jesus, given up to the will of
thine enemies,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, loaded with the heavy weight of the cross,
 Jesus, led like a sheep to the slaughter,
 Jesus, stripped of thy garments,
 Jesus, fastened with nails to the cross,
 Jesus, wounded for our iniquities,
 Jesus, praying to thy Father for thy murderers,
 Jesus, reputed with the wicked,
 Jesus, blasphemed and scoffed at on the cross,
 Jesus, reviled by the malefactor,
 Jesus, promising Paradise to the penitent thief,
 Jesus, commanding St. John to thy Mother as her son,
 Jesus, declaring thyself forsaken by thy Father,
 Jesus, in thy thirst given gall and vinegar to drink,
 Jesus, testifying that all things written concerning thee were accomplished,
 Jesus, commanding thy spirit into the hands of thy Father,
 Jesus, obedient even to the death of the cross,
 Jesus, pierced with a lance,
 Jesus, made a propitiation for us,
 Jesus, taken down from the cross,
 Jesus, laid in the sepulchre,
 Jesus, rising gloriously from the dead,
 Jesus, ascending into heaven,
 Jesus, our Advocate with the Father,
 Jesus, sending down on thy disciples the Holy Ghost the Paraclete,

Jesus, exalting thy Mother above the choirs of Angels,
 Jesus, who shalt come to judge the living and the dead,
 Be merciful.
Spare us, O Lord.
 Be merciful.
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
 From all evil,
 From all sin,
 From anger, hatred, and every evil will,
 From war, famine, and pestilence,
 From all dangers of mind and body,
 From everlasting death,
 Through thy most pure Conception,
 Through thy miraculous Nativity,
 Through thy humble Circumcision,
 Through thy Baptism and holy Fasting,
 Through thy Labours and Watchings,
 Through thy cruel Scourging and Crowning,
 Through thy Thirst, and Tears, and Nakedness,
 Through thy precious Death and Cross,
 Through thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension,
 Through thy sending forth the Holy Ghost the Paraclete,
 In the day of judgment,
 We sinners,
Be seek thee, hear us.
 That thou wouldest spare us,
 That thou wouldest pardon us,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to bring us to true penance,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe mercifully to pour into our

Lord Jesus, deliver us.

We beseech thee, &c.

hearts the grace of the Holy Spirit,
That thou wouldest vouchsafe to defend and propagate thy holy Church,
That thou wouldest vouchsafe to preserve and increase all societies assembled in thy holy Name,
That thou wouldest vouchsafe to bestow upon us true peace, humility, and charity,
That thou wouldest vouchsafe to give us perseverance in grace and in thy holy service,
That thou wouldest vouchsafe to deliver us from unclean thoughts, the temptations of the devil, and everlasting damnation,
That thou wouldest vouchsafe to unite us to the company of thy Saints,
That thou wouldest vouchsafe graciously to hear us,
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
V. We adore thee, O Christ,
and we bless thee.

R. Because through thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Let us pray.

O God, who, for the redemption of the world, wast pleased to be born, to be circumcised, to be rejected by the Jews, to be betrayed by the traitor Judas with a kiss, to be bound with thongs, to be led as an innocent lamb to the slaughter, and to be shamefully presented to the gaze of Annas, Caiaphas, Pilate, and Herod; to be accused by false witnesses, to be insulted with scourgings and revilings, to be spit upon and crowned with thorns, to be buffeted upon the face and struck with a reed, to be blindfolded, to be stripped of thy clothes, to be fastened with nails to the cross, to be hoisted up thereon, to be reckoned among thieves, to have gall and vinegar given thee to drink, and to be pierced with a lance; through these thy most holy Sufferings, which we, thy unworthy servants, devoutly call to mind, and by thy holy Cross and by thy Death, deliver us (or this thy servant N. in his agony) from the pains of hell, and vouchsafe to conduct us whither thou didst conduct the thief who was crucified with thee. Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

Litany of the Holy Cross.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Cross, whereon the Lamb of God was offered for the sins of the world,

Deliver and save us.

Hope of Christians,

Pledge of the resurrection from the dead,

Shelter of persecuted innocence,

Guide of the blind,

Way of those who have gone astray,

Staff of the lame,

Consolation of the poor.

Restraint of the powerful,

Destruction of the proud,

Refuge of sinners,

Trophy of victory over hell,

Terror of demons,

Mistress of youth,

Succour of the distressed,

Hope of the hopeless,

Star of the mariner,

Harbour of the wrecked,

Rampart of the besieged,

Father of orphans,

Defence of widows,

Counsel of the just,

Judge of the wicked,

Rest of the afflicted,

Safeguard of childhood,

Strength of manhood,

Last hope of the aged,

Light of those who sit in darkness,

Splendour of kings,

Civiliser of the world,

Buckler impenetrable,

Wisdom of the foolish,

Liberty of slaves,

Have, &c.

Spare us, O holy Cross.

Knowledge of the ignorant,

Sure rule of life,

Heralded by prophets,

Preached by apostles,

Glory of martyrs,

Study of anchorites,

Chastity of virgins,

Joy of priests,

Foundation of the Church,

Salvation of the world,

Destruction of idolatry,

Stumbling-block of the Jews,

Condemnation of the ungodly,

Support of the weak,

Medicine of the sick,

Health of the leprous,

Strength of the paralytic,

Bread of the hungry,

Fountain of those that thirst,

Clothing of the naked,

Lamb of God, who wast offered on the cross for the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who wast offered on the cross for the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who wast offered on the cross for the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

W. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

R. Because through thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Let us pray.

O God, who, for the redemption of the world, wast pleased to be born in a stable, and to die upon a cross : O Lord Jesus Christ, by thy holy sufferings, which we, thy unworthy servants, devoutly call to mind,

Spare us, O holy Cross.

by thy holy Cross, and by thy Death, deliver us from the pains of hell, and vouchsafe to conduct us whither thou didst con-

duct the thief who was crucified with thee. Who livest and reignest eternally in heaven. Amen.

Litanies of the Blessed Sacrament.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Living Bread, that camest down from heaven,

Hidden God and Saviour,

Corn of the elect,

Wine whose fruit are virgins,

Bread of fatness, and royal Dainties,

Perpetual Sacrifice,

Clean Oblation,

Lamb without spot,

Most pure Feast,

Food of Angels,

Hidden Manna,

Memorial of the Wonders of God,

Super-substantial Bread,

Word made flesh, dwelling in us,

Sacred Host,

Chalice of benediction,

Mystery of faith,

Most high and adorable Sacrament,

Most holy of all sacrifices,

True Propitiation for the living and the dead,

Heavenly Antidote against the poison of sin,

Most wonderful of all miracles,

Most holy Commemoration of the Passion of Christ,

Gift transcending all fulness,

Special Memorial of divine love,

Affluence of divine bounty,

Most august and holy Mystery,

Medicine of immortality,

Tremendous and life-giving Sacrament,

Bread made flesh by the omnipotence of the Word,

Unbloody Sacrifice,

Our Feast at once and our Fellow-guest,

Sweetest Banquet, at which Angels minister,

Sacrament of piety,

Bond of charity,

Priest and Victim,

Spiritual Sweetness tasted in its proper source,

Refreshment of holy souls,

Viaticum of such as die in the Lord,

Pledge of future glory,

Be merciful.

Spare us, O Lord.

Be merciful.

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

From an unworthy reception of thy Body and Blood,

Have mercy on us.

O Lord, deliver us.

From the lust of the flesh,
From the lust of the eyes,
From the pride of life,
From every occasion of sin,
Through the desire, where-
with thou didst desire to
eat this Passover with thy
disciples,

Through that profound humili-
lity wherewith thou didst
wash their feet,

Through that ardent charity,
whereby thou didst institute
this divine Sacrament,

Through thy precious Blood,
which thou hast left us on
our altars,

Through the Five Wounds of
this thy most holy Body,
which thou didst receive
for us,

We sinners,

Be seech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldest vouchsafe
to preserve and increase
our faith, reverence, and
devotion towards this ad-
mirable Sacrament,

That thou wouldest vouchsafe
to conduct us, through a
true confession of our sins,
to a frequent reception of
the holy Eucharist,

That thou wouldest vouchsafe
to deliver us from all he-
resy, perfidy, and blindness
of heart,

That thou wouldest vouchsafe *We be seech thee, sc.*
to impart to us the precious
and heavenly fruits of this
most holy Sacrament,

That at the hour of death
thou wouldest strengthen
and defend us by this hea-
venly viaticum,

Son of God,

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,

Hear mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

V. Thou didst give them
bread from heaven. [Alleluia.]

R. Containing in itself all
sweetness. [Alleluia.]

Let us pray.

O God, who in this wondrous
Sacrament hast left unto us a
memorial of thy passion; grant
us so to venerate the sacred
mysteries of thy Body and
Blood, that we may ever con-
tinue to feel within ourselves
the blessed fruit of thy redemp-
tion. Who livest and reignest,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of
the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Hear me, sc.

Holy Trinity, one God,
 Heart of Jesus,
 Heart of Jesus, hypostatically
 united with the Word of
 God,
 Heart of Jesus, Sanctuary of
 the Divinity,
 Heart of Jesus, Temple of
 the Holy Trinity,
 Heart of Jesus, Abyss of wis-
 dom,
 Heart of Jesus, Ocean of
 goodness,
 Heart of Jesus, Throne of
 mercy,
 Heart of Jesus, Treasure
 inexhaustible,
 Heart of Jesus, of whose ful-
 ness we have all received,
 Heart of Jesus, our Peace
 and our Atonement.
 Heart of Jesus, Model of all
 virtues,
 Heart of Jesus, infinitely lov-
 ing, and infinitely worthy
 of love,
 Heart of Jesus, Fountain of
 water springing up into
 everlasting life,
 Heart of Jesus, in which the
 Father is well pleased,
 Heart of Jesus, the Propitiat-
 tion for our sins,
 Heart of Jesus, filled with
 bitterness for our sakes,
 Heart of Jesus, sorrowful in
 the Garden even unto
 death,
 Heart of Jesus, saturated
 with revilings,
 Heart of Jesus, wounded
 with love,
 Heart of Jesus, pierced with
 a lance,
 Heart of Jesus, exhausted of
 thy blood upon the Cross,
 Heart of Jesus, bruised for
 our sins,
 Heart of Jesus, still outraged

by ungrateful men in the
 most holy Sacrament of
 love,
 Heart of Jesus, Refuge of
 sinners,
 Heart of Jesus, Strength of
 the weak,
 Heart of Jesus, Comfort of
 the afflicted,
 Heart of Jesus, Perseverance
 of the just,
 Heart of Jesus, Salvation of
 them that hope in thee,
 Heart of Jesus, Hope of them
 that die in thee,
 Heart of Jesus, sweet Sup-
 port of those who worship
 thee,
 Heart of Jesus, our Helper in
 our many and great tribu-
 lations,
 Heart of Jesus, Delight of all
 the Saints,
 Lamb of God, who takest away
 the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away
 the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away
 the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
 Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
 V. Jesus, who art meek and
 humble of heart,
 R. Make our heart like unto
 thy Heart.
 Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, Al-
 mighty God, that as, in wor-
 shipping the most sacred Heart
 of thy well-beloved Son, we call
 to mind the special benefits
 which his love hath bestowed
 upon us, so we may ever enjoy
 the fruits which flow therefrom.
 Through the same Christ our
 Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Mary.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Heart of Mary, *Pray for us.*

Heart of Mary, according to the Heart of God,

Heart of Mary, united to the Heart of Jesus,

Heart of Mary, organ of the Holy Ghost,

Heart of Mary, sanctuary of the Divine Trinity,

Heart of Mary, tabernacle of God incarnate,

Heart of Mary, immaculate from thy creation,

Heart of Mary, full of grace,

Heart of Mary, blessed among all hearts,

Heart of Mary, throne of glory,

Heart of Mary, abyss of humility,

Heart of Mary, holocaust of divine love,

Heart of Mary, fastened to the cross with Jesus crucified,

Heart of Mary, comfort of the afflicted,

Heart of Mary, refuge of sinners,

Heart of Mary, hope of the agonising,

Heart of Mary, seat of mercy,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Hear mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

V. Immaculate Mary, meek and humble of heart,

R. Make our heart according to the Heart of Jesus.

Let us pray.

O most merciful God, who, for the salvation of sinners and the refuge of the miserable, wast pleased that the Immaculate Heart of the blessed Virgin Mary should be most like in charity and pity to the Divine Heart of thy Son Jesus Christ; grant that we, who commemorate this most sweet and loving Heart, may, by the merits and intercession of the same blessed Virgin, merit to be found according to the Heart of Jesus. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of St. Joseph.

Lord have mercy. *Lord have mercy.*

Christ have mercy. *Christ have mercy.*

Lord have mercy. *Lord have mercy.*

Christ hear us. *Christ graciously hear us.*

God the Father of heaven,
 God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
 God the Holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity, one God,
 Holy Mary, Spouse of Joseph,
 Holy Joseph, Spouse of the Virgin Mary,
 Nursing-father of Jesus,
 Man according to God's own heart,
 Faithful and prudent servant,
 Guardian of the virginity of Mary,
 Companion and solace of Mary,
 Most pure in virginity,
 Most profound in humility,
 Most fervent in charity,
 Most exalted in contemplation,
 Who wast declared to be a just man by the testimony of the
 Holy Ghost himself,
 Who wast enlightened above all in heavenly mysteries,
 Who wast the chosen minister of the counsels of the Most
 High,
 Who wast taught from above the mystery of the Incarnate
 Word,
 Who didst journey to Bethlehem with Mary thy Spouse,
 being great with child,
 Who, finding no place in the inn, didst betake thyself to a
 stable,
 Who wast thought worthy to be present when Christ was born
 and laid in a manger,
 Who didst bear in thine arms the Son of God,
 Who didst receive the blood of Jesus at his Circumcision,
 Who didst present him to the Lord in the Temple, with Mary
 his Mother,
 Who, at the warning of the Angel, didst fly into Egypt with
 the Child and his Mother,
 Who, when Herod was dead, didst return with them into the
 land of Israel,
 Who for three days, with Mary his Mother, didst seek sor-
 rowing the Child Jesus, when he was lost at Jerusalem,
 Who, after three days, didst find him with joy sitting in the
 midst of the Doctors,
 Who hadst the Lord of lords subject to thee on the earth,
 Who wast the happy witness of his hidden life and sacred
 words,
 Who didst die in the arms of Jesus and Mary,
 Whose praise is in the Gospel: The Husband of Mary, of
 whom was born Jesus,
 Humble imitator of the Incarnate Word,
 Powerful support of the Church,
 Our advocate, *St. Joseph, hear us.*

Our patron, *St. Joseph, graciously hear us.*
 In all our necessities,
 In all our distresses,
 In the hour of death,
 Through thy most chaste espousals,
 Through thy paternal care and fidelity,
 Through thy love of Jesus and Mary,
 Through thy labours and toils,
 Through all thy virtues,
 Through thy exalted honour and eternal blessedness;
 Through thy faithful intercession,
 We, thy clients, *Beseech thee, hear us.*
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to obtain for us, from Jesus,
 the pardon of our sins,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to commend us faithfully to
 Jesus and Mary,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to obtain for all, both virgins
 and married, the chastity belonging to their state,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to obtain for all congregations
 perfect love and concord.
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to direct all rulers and prelates
 in the government of their subjects,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to assist all parents in the
 Christian education of their children,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to protect all those that rely
 upon thy patronage,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to support, with thy paternal
 help, all congregations instituted under thy name and pa-
 tronage,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to visit and stand by us, with
 Jesus and Mary, in the last moment of our life,
 That thou wouldest vouchsafe to succour, by thy prayers and
 intercession, all the faithful departed,
 O chaste Spouse of Mary,
 O faithful Nursing-father of Jesus,
 Holy Joseph,
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
 Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
 V. Pray for us, O blessed Joseph,
 R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, who didst choose St. Joseph to be the Spouse of blessed

Mary ever Virgin, and to be the Guardian and Nursing-father of thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ; we humbly beseech thee to grant us, through his patronage and merits, such purity of mind and body, that, being clean from every stain, and clothed with the true marriage-garment, we may, by thy great mercy, be admitted to the heavenly nuptials. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of
the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Mother of dolours,

Thou who didst find no
room in the inn,

Who wast forced to take
refuge in a stable,

Who didst lay thy First-
born in a manger,

Who didst witness with
compassion the Circum-
cision of thy Son,

Who didst hear that thy Son
was set as a sign that
should be contradicted,

Who didst hear that thine
own soul should be pierced
with a sword,

Who wast fain to fly into
Egypt with thy Son,

Who didst grieve for the
murder of the Innocents,

Who for three days didst
seek sorrowing thy Son,
lost in the Temple, when
he was twelve years old,

Who didst painfully note
the constant hatred of
the Jews against Him,

Who, on the day of the Last
Supper, didst bid a sad
farewell to thy Son going
to Jerusalem to suffer,

Who didst learn that He
was betrayed by Judas,
and led away captive,

Who didst see Him deli-
vered up as a malefactor
to the chief priests,

Who didst hear that He was
falsely accused,

Who didst learn that His
blessed face was struck
with a fearful blow,

Who didst hear that he was
most cruelly treated by
the Jews and by the sol-
diers,

Who didst hear thy Son re-
jected for Barabbas,

Who didst behold Him
beaten with scourges and
crowned with thorns,

Who didst hear the unjust
sentence pronounced a-
gainst Him,

Who didst go to meet thy
Son loaded with the
weight of the Cross,

Who didst hear His blessed
hands and feet being
pierced with dreadful
nails,

Pray for us.

Who didst receive the last words of thy Son upon the Cross,

Who didst stand by Him in his agony,

Who didst receive into thy maternal bosom the lifeless body of thy Son, taken down from the Cross,

Who, after the body of thy Son was buried, didst return home all sad and desolate,

O Queen of martyrs,
O Mirror of the afflicted,
O Comfort of the weak,
O Strength of the fearful,
O Refuge of sinners,
Through the most bitter Passion and Death of thy Son,
Deliver us, O Queen of Martyrs.

Through the most poignant sorrows of thy heart,

Through thy exceeding sadness and desolation,

Through thy extreme anguish,

Through thy groans and tears,

Through thy maternal compassion,

Through thy most powerful patronage,

From immoderate sadness,

From a pusillanimous spirit,

From every occasion and

danger of sin,

From the snares of the devil,

From hardness of heart,

From impenitence,

From sudden and unprepared-for death,

From eternal damnation,

We sinners,

Beſeech thee, hear us,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to preserve us by thy patronage in true faith, hope, and charity,

Pray for us.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to obtain for us from thy Son perfect sorrow and repentance for our sins,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring consolation and assistance to those who call upon thee,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to succour us in the agony of death,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to obtain for us a happy end,

Mother of God,
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord,
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.
Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.
Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Y. In all our tribulations and afflictions,

R. Succour us, O most blessed Virgin Mary.

Let us pray.
O Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we beseech thee, that the blessed Virgin Mary thy Mother, whose most sacred soul was pierced with the sword of sorrow in the hour of thy Passion, may intercede for us with thy mercy, now and at the hour of our death, through thine own merits, O Jesus, Saviour of the world. Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

We beseech thee, hear us.

Deliver us, O Queen of Martyrs.

We, &c.

Litany for the Faithful Departed.

Lord have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
 Christ have mercy.
 Christ have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
 Christ hear us.
 Christ graciously hear us.
 God the Father of heaven,
 Have mercy on the souls of
 the faithful departed.
 God the Son, Redeemer of
 the world,
 God the Holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity, one God,
 Holy Mary,
 Holy Mother of God,
 Holy Virgin of virgins,
 St. Michael,
 All ye Angels and Arch-
 angels,
 All ye orders of Blessed
 Spirits,
 St. John Baptist,
 St. Joseph,
 All ye holy Patriarchs and
 Prophets.
 St. Peter,
 St. Paul,
 St. John,
 All ye holy Apostles and
 Evangelists,
 St. Stephen,
 St. Laurence,
 All ye holy Martyrs,
 St. Gregory,
 St. Ambrose,
 St. Augustine,
 St. Jerome,
 All ye holy Bishops and
 Confessors,
 All ye holy Doctors,
 All ye holy Priests and Le-
 vites,
 All ye holy Monks and Her-
 mits,
 St. Mary Magdalen,
 St. Catherine,
 St. Barbara,
 All ye holy Virgins and
 Widows,
 All ye Saints of God,
 Be merciful.
 Spare them, O Lord.
 Be merciful.
 Graciously hear us, O Lord.
 From all evil,
 From thy wrath,
 From the rigour of thy
 justice,
 From the power of the devil,
 From the gnawing worm of
 conscience,
 From long-enduring sor-
 row,
 From cruel flames,
 From intolerable cold,
 From horrible darkness,
 From dreadful weeping and
 wailing,
 Through thine admirable
 Conception,
 Through thy holy Nativity,
 Through thy most sweet
 Name,
 Through thy Baptism and
 holy Fasting,
 Through thy most profound
 Humiliation,
 Through thy prompt Obedi-
 ence,
 Through thine infinite Love,
 Through thy Sorrow and
 Anguish,
 Through thy Bloody Sweat,
 Through thy Bonds,
 Through thy Scourging,
 Through thy Crowning with
 thorns,
 Through thy Carrying of the
 Cross,
 Hare, &c.
 Pray for the souls of the faithful departed.
 Lord, deliver them.

Through thy most cruel Death,
 Through thy Five most holy Wounds,
 Through thy most bitter Cross and Passion,
 Through thy holy Resurrection,
 Through thine admirable Ascension,
 Through the coming of the Holy Ghost the Paraclete,
 In the day of judgment,
 We sinners,
Beſeech thee hear us.
 Thou who forgavest Magdal-
 len, and hearkenedſt to the prayer of the thief,
 Thou who ſavest freely thine elect,
 Thou who haſt the keys of death and hell,
 That thou wouldſt be pleaſed to deliver the ſouls of our parents, relations, friends, and benefactors, from the pains of hell,
 That thou wouldſt be pleaſed to have mercy on those of whom no ſpecial re- membrance is made on earth,
 That thou wouldſt be pleaſed to grant them all the pardon and remiſſion of their ſins,
 That thou wouldſt be pleaſed to fulfiſ all their deſires,
 That thou wouldſt be pleaſed to receive them into the company of the Bleſſed,
 King of awfully majestic, Son of God,
 Lamb of God, who takeſt away the ſins of the world,
Grant unto them rest.
 Lamb of God, who takeſt away the ſins of the world,

Grant unto them rest.
 Lamb of God, who takeſt away the ſins of the world,
Grant unto them rest everlast- ing.
 Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
 Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
 From the gate of hell,
Deliver their ſouls, O Lord.
 O Lord, hear my prayer,
And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O God, the Creator and Re- deemer of all the faithful, grant unto the ſouls of thy ſervants departed the remiſſion of all their ſins; that, by pious ſup- plications, they may obtain the pardon which they have al- ways desired. Grant this, O God, who liuſt and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

O eternal God, who, besides the general precept of charity, haſt commanded a particular respect to parents, kindred, and benefactors; grant, we beſeech thee, that, as they were the instruments by which thy proviſion beſtowed on us our birth, education, and innume- rable other blessings, ſo our prayers may be the means to obtain for them a ſpeedy re- lease from their excessive ſufferings, and free admittance to thine infinite joys. Through Jesus, &c.

Y. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light ſhine upon them.

Y. May they rest in peace.

R. Amen.

Litany of Intercession for England.¹

Remember not, O Lord, our offences, nor those of our parents: neither take thou vengeance of our sins.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Jesus, receive our prayers.

Lord Jesus, receive our petitions.

God the Father, Creator of *Have mercy on us.*

the world,

God the Son, Redeemer of *Have mercy on us.*

mankind,

God the Holy Ghost, Perfector of the elect,

Sacred Trinity, three Persons and one God,

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

Pray for England.

Holy Mary, Queen of Angels, who alone destroyest all heresies,

Holy Mary, Virgin of virgins,* whose eminent sanctity our Lord hath honoured with so many miracles,

St. Michael,* prince of the *Pray for England.*

St. Gabriel,* glorious messenger of our Saviour's Incarnation,

St. Raphael,* faithful guide of those who have lost their way,

Holy Angel, to whose pious custody this province is committed,

All ye holy Angels and blessed Spirits of heaven,* who

celebrate with joy the conversion of sinners,

St. John Baptist,* precursor of the Messias, and great example of penance,

All ye holy Patriarchs and Prophets,* friends of God, and advancers of his truth,

St. Peter, prince of the Apostles,* and supreme pastor of Christ's sheep,

St. Paul, doctor of the Gentiles,* who, of a persecutor, becamest a preacher,

St. Andrew, first disciple of Christ,* and constant lover of the cross,

All ye holy Apostles and *Pray for England.* Evangelists,* chief planters of the Christian faith, and zealous maintainers of Catholic unity,

St. George, our principal patron,

St. Alban, our first martyr,

St. Thomas of Canterbury,* who, as a faithful shepherd, laidst down thy life in defence of the Church,

All ye holy Martyrs of this nation,* who voluntarily lost your lives here to find them in a joyful eternity,

St. Gregory, most vigilant Bishop of the Universal Church,* whose pious zeal sent missionaries from Rome for the conversion of our ancestors,

St. Augustin, Apostle of this nation,* by whom our forefathers were reclaimed from paganism and infidelity,

¹ This Litany may be abridged by terminating each invocation at the mark *

St. Bede, most venerable Confessor,* by whose religious life and learned writings the Catholic faith was eminently propagated amongst us,

All ye holy Bishops and Confessors, by whose wisdom and sanctity this island was once a flourishing seminary of religion,

St. Helen, most holy queen,* and mother of the first Christian emperor,

St. Ursula, most blessed martyr,* who diedst in the glorious defence of faith and chastity,

St. Winefride, most admirable virgin,* even in this unbelieving generation still miraculous,

All ye holy Saints of this nation,* who, amidst the innumerable joys of heaven, still retain a particular charity for the salvation of your country,

All ye holy Saints of all places,* who, though divided here in several regions, were united in the same faith, and now enjoy one common felicity,

Be merciful,

Spare us, O Lord.

Be merciful,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

From the dangers most justly threatening our sins,

From the spirit of pride, rebellion, and apostacy,

From the spirit of hypocrisy, profaneness, and sacrilege,

From the presumption of private opinion, and contempt of the authority of thy Church,

From schism, heresy, and all blindness of heart,
From drunkenness, and the false liberty of an undisciplined life,

We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us.

That it may please thee to hasten the conversion of this our miserable country, and reunite it to the ancient faith and communion of thy Church,

That it may please thee particularly to have mercy on our relations, friends, and benefactors, and open their eyes to see the beauty of thy truth, and embrace it,

That it may please thee to comfort and strengthen thy servants, who suffer for the Catholic faith,

That it may please thee not to permit the weakest of us, by any temptation whatsoever, to fall away from thee and thy truth,

That it may please thee to assist with thy special grace those good pastors who venture their lives for their flock,

That it may please thee daily to augment in them the fire of thy love and the zeal of gaining souls,

That it may please thee to preserve the Catholics of this land from all sin and scandal,

That it may please thee so to adorn their lives with solid piety, that others, seeing their good works, may glorify thee our heavenly Father,

That it may please thee to enlighten the hearts of all

Deliver us.

We beseech thee, hear us.

schismatics with thy powerful grace,
 That it may please thee to shew them the danger of their state, and the great *We beseech, &c.* importance of eternal salvation,
 That it may please thee mercifully to look down from heaven on the tears of the afflicted, and the blood of so many martyrs, who have spent their lives, and suffered death, to convert us to thee,
 Son of God,
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
 Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
 Let us pray.
 Almighty and everlasting

God, whose judgments are righteous and counsels unsearchable; who visitest the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation, and yet at length rememberest mercy; forgive, we beseech thee, the sins of our forefathers, and turn away thy wrath from their posterity: deliver the ignorant from being seduced by false teachers, and the learned from being abused by their passions, and the whole nation from the spirit of contradiction, licentiousness, and discord; that instead of so many divisions and changes in religion, under which they labour, they may be again restored to that unity of mind, steadiness of faith, and tranquillity of conscience, which is no where to be sought but in the communion of thy Church, nor possible to be found but by the conduct of thy grace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Litany of St. Vincent of Paul.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
 Christ have mercy,
Christ have mercy.
 Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
 Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
 God the Father of heaven,
 God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
 God the Holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity, one God,

Have, &c.

Holy Mary,
 St. Vincent of Paul,
 St. Vincent, who at the tenderest age didst display a wisdom most mature,
 St. Vincent, who, from thy childhood, wast full of pity and compassion,
 St. Vincent, who, like David, from a simple shepherd becamest the ruler and pastor of the people of God,

St. Vincent, who in thy captivity didst preserve a perfect freedom,
 St. Vincent, the just man, who livedst by faith,
 St. Vincent, always supported on the firm anchor of a Christian hope,
 St. Vincent, always inflamed with the fire of charity,
 St. Vincent, truly simple, upright, and fearing God,
 St. Vincent, true disciple of Jesus Christ, always meek and humble of heart,
 St. Vincent, perfectly mortified in heart and mind,
 St. Vincent, ever animated with the spirit of Jesus Christ,
 St. Vincent, generous maintainer of the glory of God,
 St. Vincent, ever inwardly burning, and ever outwardly transported, with zeal for souls,
 St. Vincent, who in Christian poverty didst find the precious pearl, and the rich treasure of the Gospel,
 St. Vincent, like to the angels in thy purity,
 St. Vincent, ever faithful in obedience, and ever victorious in word,
 St. Vincent, from thy earliest years constantly devoted to works of charity,
 St. Vincent, who didst fly with most diligent care the slightest appearance of evil,
 St. Vincent, who, in all thine actions, didst aspire to the practice of the most perfect virtue,
 St. Vincent, who, like a rock, remainedst immovable amidst the stormy sea of this world,

St. Vincent, who, constant as the sun in its course, wentest ever onward in the paths of truest wisdom,
 St. Vincent, always invincible by all the arrows of adversity,
 St. Vincent, as patient in suffering as thou wast indulgent in forgiving,
 St. Vincent, ever docile and obedient son of the holy Roman Church,
 St. Vincent, who hadst exceeding horror of the novel ways and subtle words of heresy,
 St. Vincent, destined by a special Providence to announce the Gospel to the poor,
 St. Vincent, tender father and perfect model of ecclesiastics,
 St. Vincent, prudent founder of the Congregation of the Mission,
 St. Vincent, wise institutor of the order of the Sisters of Charity,
 St. Vincent, always tender in compassionating, and always prompt in relieving, all the necessities of the poor,
 St. Vincent, equally fervent in the practice of prayer and in the ministry of the word,
 St. Vincent, perfect imitator of the life and virtues of Jesus Christ,
 St. Vincent, who didst persevere to the end in eschewing evil and doing good,
 St. Vincent, who, as in life so in death, wast most precious in the sight of God,

[St. Vincent, who by the knowledge of absolute truth, by the love of sovereign goodness, by the joys of a blessed eternity, possessest perfect happiness,

Pray for the members of the Church, and especially for the members of this brotherhood.]

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

V. The Lord led the just man through right ways.

R. And shewed unto him the kingdom of God.

O God, who, by an effect of thine infinite goodness, hast renewed, in our days, in the apostolic charity and humility of thy blessed servant Vincent, the spirit of thy well-beloved Son, to preach the Gospel to the poor, relieve the afflicted, console the miserable, and add new lustre to the ecclesiastical order; grant, we beseech thee, through his powerful intercession, that we also, being delivered from the great misery of sin, may labour to please thee by the practice of the same humility. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, &c.



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Devotions for Self-examination, Confession, and Indulgences.

Prayer before Examination of Conscience.

O MOST merciful God, I most humbly thank thee for all thy mercies unto me, and, particularly at this time, for thy forbearance and longsuffering with me, notwithstanding my many and grievous sins. O my God, although I have been so ungrateful to thee in times past, yet now I beseech thee to accept me, returning to thee with an earnest desire to repent, and devote myself to thee, my Lord and my God, and to praise thy holy Name for ever.

Receive my confession, and spare me, O most gracious Lord Jesus Christ, whom I, an unworthy sinner, am not worthy to name, because I have so often offended thee. Spare me, O most kind Jesus, who didst die upon the cross, that thou mightest save sinners. Have mercy upon me, O most gracious Lord, and despise not the humble and contrite heart of thy servant. Grant me, I beseech thee, perfect contrition for my sins, that I may detest them with the deepest sorrow of heart. Send forth thy light into my soul, and discover to me all those sins which I ought to confess at this time. Assist me by thy grace, that I may be able to declare them to the priest thy minister, fully, humbly, and with a contrite heart, and so obtain perfect remission of them all through thine infinite goodness. Amen.

O most gracious Virgin Mary, beloved Mother of Jesus Christ my Redeemer, intercede for me to him. Obtain for me the full remission of my sins, and perfect amendment of life, to the salvation of my soul, and the glory of his name. I implore the same grace of thee, O my angel-guardian; of you, my holy patrons N. N.; of you, O holy Peter and holy Magdalen, and of all the

saints of God. Intercede for me a sinner, repenting of my sins, and resolving to confess and amend them. Amen.

Examination on the first commandment.—Have I neglected my morning and evening prayers, or said them carelessly? Have I been ashamed of my faith, or denied it, or joined false religions in prayer? Have I lived in ignorance, and neglected to learn the Christian doctrine? Have I profaned, ridiculed, or laughed at holy persons or things? Have I consulted fortune-tellers, or used charms or spells? Have I exposed myself to the danger of infidelity or heresy by reading bad books or keeping improper company? How often have I committed any of these sins, and have I caused others to commit them?

Examination on the second commandment.—Have I been guilty of swearing? Have I taken God's name in vain, or used the names of the persons of the Blessed Trinity without respect, or in passion? Have I cursed myself, or my fellow-creature, or my work? Have I called any one names, such as fools, &c.? Have I sworn to a lie? Have I taken an oath to do any thing wicked? Have I sworn without necessity? Have I broken any lawful oaths and vows? Have I spoken evil of holy things? How often have I committed any of these sins, and have I caused others to commit them?

Examination on the third commandment.—Have I missed Mass on Sunday or a day of obligation: was it through my own fault? Have I been guilty of wilful distractions during Mass, or behaved badly, or annoyed others in church? Have I pretended to be ill, or made some excuse for staying away from Church? Have I neglected School or Catechism, or spent Sunday in idleness or sin? How often have I been guilty of any of these things, and have I caused others to commit them?

Examination on the fourth commandment.—Have I disobeyed my parents, or treated them disrespectfully, or given them saucy answers? Have I threatened or cursed them? Have I stolen from them? Have I neglected to work for them, and assist them? Have I disobeyed my master or mistress, or been idle and careless in my work? Have I cheated them or taken their property? Have I been disobedient to my teachers? Have I neglected my tasks? Have I stayed away from School without a good reason? How often have I committed any of these sins, and have I caused others to commit them?

Examination on the fifth commandment.—Have I been in anger or violent passion, and quarrelled with others? Have I struck, or fought with them? Have I borne malice and hatred, and for how long a time have I refused to be reconciled to others? Have I revenged myself of others by words or deeds, or desired revenge, or taken pleasure in the thoughts of it? Have I

neglected to give alms, and to succour the needy according to my ability? Have I given scandal, or neglected to reclaim or reprove sinners when it was in my power? How often have I committed any of these sins, and have I caused others to commit them?

Examination on the sixth and ninth commandments.—Have I thought of immodest objects? Have I talked immodestly? Have I listened to immodest discourse or songs, or read immodest books, or looked at immodest objects or pictures? Have I dressed indecently? Have I done any immodest actions with myself or with others, or taken any improper liberties? How often have I committed any of these sins, and have I caused others to commit them?

Examination on the seventh and tenth commandments.—Have I stolen, and how much? Have I cheated in buying or selling, or otherwise wronged my neighbour, and to what value? Have I assisted or been a party to others doing so? Have I bought or received stolen goods, or passed base money? Have I kept unjustly what belonged to another? Have I neglected to restore what was taken, when it was in my power? Have I cheated my companions in play or otherwise? How often have I committed any of these sins, and have I caused others to commit them?

Examination on the eighth commandment.—Have I borne false witness? Have I told lies, or been guilty of hypocrisy? Have I had a bad opinion of my neighbour without grounds? Have I calumniated or said what was false of him, or been guilty of detraction, or publishing his faults or defects without necessity; and before how many persons? Have I taken pleasure in hearing others speak ill of their neighbours? Have I neglected to restore my neighbour's good name? Have I carried stories backwards and forwards, and caused quarrels? Have I scoffed or derided others? How often have I committed any of these sins, and have I caused others to commit them?

EXAMINATION ON THE SEVEN DEADLY SINS.

PRIDE. Have I been proud of myself, of my books, of my clothes, of my knowledge or cleverness? Have I been proud of the rewards or praises that have been given me, or boasted of my good actions? Have I indulged in dress or finery, admired myself in the glass, or yielded in any other way to vanity or conceit? Have I put on appearances to impose upon others, and gain their esteem or praise? Have I despised others because they were more ignorant or worse dressed than myself? Have I been obstinate, sulky, or ill-tempered?

COVETOUSNESS. Have I wished very much for money, or been fond of it when I have had it? Have I envied others their riches, learning, cleverness, or other advantages? Have I been unkind to the poor, or refused to assist them when I had it in my power?

LUST. Have I transgressed the sixth commandment by any immodest words or actions?

ANGER. Have I been in a passion, and how often? Have I been rebellious towards my parents or teachers? Have I been angry and quarrelled with my companions? Have I indulged in ill-temper or impatience? Have I led others into a passion by my provoking conduct?

GLUTTONY. Have I eaten or drunk too much? Have I been dissatisfied with my food, or too anxious to obtain delicacies? Have I spent money in buying unnecessary things, or injurious to my health? Have I eaten meat on days of abstinence without leave of my director?

ENVY. Have I nourished feelings of envy or jealousy? Have I out of envy spoken ill of others, or tried to injure them in people's esteem? Have I been vexed or jealous when others have been more praised than myself, or have succeeded better in their tasks? Have I secretly rejoiced to see my companions disappointed, or in disgrace?

SLOTH. Have I indulged in idleness or laziness? Have I lain in bed longer than I knew was right? Have I idled my time in school or at lessons, or caused others to do so? Have I spent too much time in dress, or amusement, or foolish talk? Have I put off doing any duty out of laziness?

An Act of Contrition.

O Lord Jesus Christ, lover of our souls, I grieve from the bottom of my heart that I have offended thee, my most loving Father and Redeemer, unto whom all sin is infinitely displeasing; who hast so loved me that thou didst shed thy blood for me, and endure the bitter torments of a most cruel death. O my God! O infinite Goodness! would that I had never offended thee. Pardon me, O Lord Jesus, most humbly imploring thy mercy. Have pity upon a sinner for whom thy blood pleads before the face of the Father.

The Method of Confession.

Kneeling down at the sight of your ghostly father, make the sign of the cross, saying,

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then ask his blessing in these words :

Pray, father, give me your blessing, for I have sinned.

Then say the first part of the Confiteor, as follows :

I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, to blessed Michael the archangel, to blessed John the baptist, to the holy apostles Peter and Paul, to all the saints, and to you, Father, that I have sinned exceedingly, in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault.

Then say, *Since my last confession, which was so long ago, I accuse myself, &c.*

After this accuse yourself of your sins, either according to the order of God's commandments, or such other order as you may find most helpful to your memory; adding after each sin the number of times that you have been guilty of it, and such circumstances as may very considerably aggravate the guilt: but carefully abstaining from such as are impertinent or unnecessary, and from excuses and long narrations.

After you have confessed all that you can remember, conclude with this or the like form :

For these and all other my sins, which I cannot at present call to my remembrance, I am heartily sorry, purpose amendment for the future, and most humbly ask pardon of God, and penance and absolution of you, my ghostly father:

Therefore I beseech blessed Mary, ever a Virgin, blessed Michael the archangel, blessed John the baptist, the holy apostles Peter and Paul, all the saints, and you, father, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

Then give attentive ear to the instructions and advice of your confessor, and humbly accept of the penance enjoined by him.

Whilst the priest gives you absolution, bow down your head, and with great humility call upon God for mercy; and beg of Him that he would be pleased to pronounce the sentence of absolution in heaven, whilst His minister absolves you upon earth.

After confession, return to your prayers; and after having heartily given God thanks for having admitted you, by the means of this sacrament, to the grace of reconciliation, and received you like the prodigal child returning home, make an offering of your confession to Jesus Christ, begging pardon for whatever defects you may have been guilty of in it; offering up your resolutions to your Saviour, and begging grace that you may fulfil them.

Be careful to perform your penance in due time, and in a penitential spirit.

Prayers after Confession.

O almighty and most merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, hast vouchsafed to receive thy prodigal child, and to admit me to this sacrament of reconciliation; I give thee thanks with all the powers of my soul for this and all other mercies, graces, and blessings bestowed on me; and casting myself at thy sacred feet, I offer myself to be henceforth for ever thine. Oh, let nothing in life or death ever separate me from thee! I renew my promises made in baptism, and from this moment I dedicate myself eternally to thy love and service. Oh, grant that for the time to come I may abhor sin more than death itself, and avoid all such occasions and companies as may lead me to it! This I resolve to do, by the aid of thy divine grace, without which I can do nothing. Supply also, by thy mercy, whatever defects have been in this my confession, and give me grace to be now and always a true penitent, through the same Jesus Christ thy Son. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OBTAINING PLENARY INDULGENCES.

Preparatory Prayer.

Most merciful God, I trust that, by thy goodness, I am absolved from my sins, and delivered from eternal damnation; yet since I am still liable to the temporal

punishments due to my sins, and my own works are not sufficient to make satisfaction for them, I have recourse to the treasury of the merits of thy only-begotten Son and of thy saints, that, by their abundance, my defects and infirmities may be supplied. I cheerfully offer myself to do all those things which are appointed for obtaining this end. Receive them, O Father of mercies, in union with the passion and death of the same thy Son, and make me, although unworthy, partaker of this plenary indulgence.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

*Prayer to God the Father for the Exaltation of our
Holy Mother the Church.*

O eternal Father, look mercifully upon thy Church, for which thy only-begotten Son hesitated not to shed his blood! So exalt it, I beseech thee, with the beauty of holiness and the riches of thy grace, that it may shine forth worthy of its divine Spouse, and of the great price of its redemption. Gather all nations into its bosom; and oh, grant that all may acknowledge, with living faith, thee the Father, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

To God the Son, for the Extirpation of Heresies.

O Jesus, the true light of the world, grant, I beseech thee, that, by the virtue of thy passion and death, the darkness of heresies and errors may be driven away, and that all men may embrace the light of thy truth. O thou good Shepherd, who didst lay down thy life for thy sheep, protect thy flock, and defend it from the violence and cunning of those who come in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves. Abide with us, O Lord, as thou hast said, "Behold, I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world." Make manifest that

thy Church is founded on a rock, and that the gates of hell cannot prevail against it. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

To the Holy Ghost, for Concord among Christian Princes.

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of love and peace, who hast gathered together many nations in the unity of the faith, grant to all Christian princes, and to their counsellors, the abundance of thy grace, and fill their hearts with love; that all men may know by this that they are to be counted among the number of thine elect, and are worthy of the name of Christ. Grant that they may not be led away through covetousness to do any thing contrary to thy divine glory and the peace of thy Church; but rather may strive to bring the people committed unto them, together with themselves, to the vision of eternal peace, and to the heavenly Jerusalem. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

*To the most Holy Trinity; offering up the Works
prescribed for obtaining the Indulgence.*

O most holy Trinity, I trust I have now performed whatever hath been appointed for obtaining a plenary indulgence for the punishment due to my sins. It is of thine infinite goodness and bountiful liberality alone that thou art pleased so abundantly to reward the worthless works of our bounden duty. Receive, therefore, O most holy Trinity, these works that I have done, and grant that all their defects may be supplied by the merits of the passion and death of Jesus Christ our Lord, and by his most precious blood which was shed for us; and thus make me (or the soul of —) partaker of this plenary indulgence; for which mercy, O Lord, may all heaven and earth unite with me in giving praise and thanksgiving unto thee now and for ever. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

The Psalter of Jesus.

Begin by a devout bowing of the head, or genuflection, at the adorable Name of JESUS.

PART I.

"At the Name of Jesus, let every knee bow, of things in heaven, of things in earth, and of things in hell; and let every tongue confess that our Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father."—*Phil. ii. 10, 11.*

First Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } have mercy on me.

Jesus, have mercy on me, O God of compassion, and forgive the many and great offences I have committed in thy sight.

Many have been the follies of my life, and great are the miseries I have deserved for my ingratitude.

Have mercy on me, dear Jesus, for I am weak; O Lord, heal me, who am unable to help myself.

Deliver me from setting my heart upon any of thy creatures, which may divert my eyes from continually looking up to thee.

Grant me grace henceforth, for the love of thee, to hate sin; and out of a just esteem of thee, to despise all worldly vanities.

Have mercy on all sinners, O Jesus, I beseech thee; turn their vices into virtues, and making them true observers of thy law, and sincere lovers of thee, bring them to bliss in everlasting glory. Have mercy also on the souls in purgatory, for thy bitter passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious name, Jesus.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God, have mercy on me.

Glory be to the Father. Our Father. Hail Mary.

Second Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } help me.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus, help me to overcome all temptations to sin, and the malice of my ghostly enemy.

Help me to spend my time in virtuous actions, and in such labours as are acceptable to thee.

To resist and repress the motions of my flesh to sloth, gluttony, and impurity.

To render my heart enamoured of virtue, and inflamed with desires of thy glorious presence.

Help me to deserve and keep a good name, by a peaceful and pious living; to thy honour, O Jesus, to my own comfort, and the benefit of others.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

Third Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } strengthen me.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus, strengthen me in soul and body, to please thee in doing such works of virtue as may bring me to thy everlasting joy and felicity.

Grant me a firm purpose, most merciful Saviour, to amend my life, and atone for the years past:

Those years which I have misspent to thy displeasure, in vain or wicked thoughts, words, deeds, and evil customs.

Make my heart obedient to thy will; and ready, for thy love, to perform all the works of mercy.

Grant me the gifts of the Holy Ghost, which, through a virtuous life, and a devout frequenting of thy most holy sacraments, may at length bring me to thy heavenly kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

Fourth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } comfort me.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus, comfort me, and give me grace to place my chief, my only joy and felicity in thee.

Send me heavenly meditations, spiritual sweetness, and fervent desires of thy glory; ravish my soul with the contemplation of heaven, where I shall everlastinglly dwell with thee.

Bring often to my remembrance thy unspeakable goodness, thy gifts, and thy great kindness shewn to me.

And when thou bringest to my mind the sad remembrance of my sins, whereby I have so unkindly offended thee, comfort me with the assurance of obtaining thy grace, by the spirit of perfect penance, purging away my guilt, and preparing me for thy kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

Fifth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } make me constant.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus, make me constant in faith, hope, and charity, with continuance in all virtues, and resolution not to offend thee.

Make the memory of thy passion, and of those bitter pains thou sufferedst for me, sustain my patience, and refresh me in all tribulations and adversity.

Make me ever hold fast the doctrines of thy holy Catholic Church, and be a diligent frequenter of all holy duties.

Let no false delight of this deceitful world blind me, no fleshly temptation or fraud of the devil shake my heart:

My heart, which has for ever set up its rest in thee; and is resolved to give up all things for thy eternal reward.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as above, p. 129.

"Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."—*Phil. ii. 8.*

Hear these my petitions, O most merciful Saviour, and grant me thy grace so frequently to repeat and consider them, that they may prove easy steps, whereby my soul may climb up to the knowledge, love, and performance of my duty to thee and to my neighbour, through the whole course of my life. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. I believe in God.

PART II.

"At the Name of Jesus," &c. as before, p. 129.

Sixth Petition. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,} \\ \text{Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,} \\ \text{Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,} \end{array} \right\}$ enlighten me with spiritual wisdom.

Jesus, enlighten me with spiritual wisdom, to know thy goodness, and all those things which are most acceptable to thee.

Grant me a clear apprehension of my only good, and discretion to order my life according to it.

Grant that I may wisely proceed from virtue to virtue, till at length I arrive at the clear vision of thy glorious Majesty.

Permit me not, dear Lord, to return to those sins for which I have sorrowed, and of which I have purged myself by confession.

Grant me grace to benefit the souls of others by my good example, and to convert those by good counsel who have used me ill.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as above, p. 129.

Seventh Petition. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,} \\ \text{Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,} \\ \text{Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,} \end{array} \right\}$ grant me grace to fear thee.

Jesus, grant me grace inwardly to fear thee, and to avoid all occasions of offending thee.

Let the threats of the torments which shall befall sinners, the fear of losing thy love and thy heavenly inheritance, ever keep me in awe.

Let me not dare to remain in sin, but call me soon to repentance ; lest through thine anger the dreaded sentence of endless death and damnation fall upon me.

May the powerful intercession of thy blessed Mother and all the saints, and, above all, thy own merits and mercy, O my Saviour, be ever between thy avenging justice and me.

Enable me, O my God, to work out my salvation with fear and trembling ; and may the apprehension of thy sacred judgments render me a more humble and diligent suitor at the throne of grace.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

Eighth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } grant me grace truly
to love thee.

Jesus, grant me grace truly to love thee for thy infinite goodness, and those great bounties I have received, and hope for ever to receive, from thee.

Let the remembrance of thy kindness and patience conquer the malice and evil inclinations of my perverse nature.

Let the consideration of my many deliverances, and thy gracious calls and continued protection through life, shame me out of my ingratitude.

And what dost thou require of me, for and by all thy mercies, but to love thee ; and why, but because thou art my only good ?

O my dear Lord, my whole life shall be nothing but a desire of thee ; and because I truly love thee, I will most diligently keep thy commandments.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

Ninth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } grant me grace to remember my death.

Jesus, grant me grace always to remember my death, and the great account I then must render; that so being kept continually disposed, my soul may depart out of this world rightly in thy grace.

Then by the gracious intercession of thy blessed Mother, and the assistance of the glorious St. Michael, deliver me from the danger of my soul's enemies; and do thou, my good angel, I beseech thee, help me at the hour of death.

Then, dear Jesus, remember thy mercy; and turn not, for my offences, thy face away from me.

Secure me against the terrors of that day, by causing me now to die daily to all earthly things, and to have my continual conversation in heaven.

Let the remembrance of thy death teach me how to esteem my life; and the memory of thy resurrection encourage me cheerfully to descend into the grave.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c., as above, p. 129.

Tenth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } send me here my purgatory.

Jesus, send me here my purgatory, and so prevent the torments of that cleansing fire, which, after this life, awaits unpurged souls.

Vouchsafe to grant me those merciful crosses and afflictions, which thou seest are necessary to break off my affections from all things here below.

Since none can see thee that loves any thing but for thy sake, permit not my heart to find here any rest but in seeking after thee.

Too bitter, alas! will be the anguish of a separated soul that desires, but cannot come to thee, clogged with the heavy chains of sin.

Here then, O my Saviour, keep me continually mortified in this world; that, purged thoroughly by the fire of love, I may immediately pass into the everlasting possessions.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

"Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."—*Phil. ii. 8.*

Hear these my petitions, O my most merciful Saviour, and grant me thy grace so frequently to repeat and consider them, that they may prove easy steps, whereby my soul may climb up to the knowledge, love, and performance of my duty to thee and to my neighbour, through the whole course of my life. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. I believe.

PART III.

"At the Name of Jesus," &c. *as before*, p. 129.

Eleventh Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } grant me grace to
fly evil company.

Jesus, grant me grace to fly evil company; or if I chance to come among such, I beseech thee, by the merits of thy uncorrupt conversation among sinners, preserve me from being overcome by any temptations to mortal sin.

Make me, O blessed Lord, to remember always with dread that thou art present and hearest, who will judge us according to our words and actions.

How, then, dare I converse with slanderers, liars, drunkards, or swearers, or such whose discourse is either quarrelsome, dissolute, or vain?

Repress in me, dear Jesus, all inordinate affection for the pleasures of taste and of the flesh; and grant me grace to avoid all such as would excite the fire of these unhappy appetites.

May thy power defend, thy wisdom direct, thy fatherly pity chastise me, and make me so to live here among men, as may fit me for the conversation of angels hereafter.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as above, p. 129.

Twelfth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } grant me grace to call
for help to thee.

Jesus, grant me grace in all my necessities to call for help to thee, and faithfully to remember thy death and resurrection for me.

Wilt thou be deaf to my cries, who wouldest lay down thy life for my ransom? or canst thou not save me, who couldst take it up again for my crown?

Whom have I to invoke but thee, O my Jesus, whose own blessed mouth has pronounced, "Call upon me in the day of trouble, and I will relieve thee."

Thou art my sure rock of defence against all kinds of enemies; thou art my ever present grace, able to strengthen me to fight and conquer.

In all my sufferings, therefore, in all my weakness and temptations, will I confidently call upon thee; hear me, O my Jesus, and when thou hearest, have mercy.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as above, p. 129.

Thirteenth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } make me to persevere
in virtue.

Jesus, make me to persevere in virtue and a good life; and never to draw back from serving thee, till thou bringest me to my reward in thy kingdom.

In all pious customs and holy duties, in my honest and necessary employments, continue and strengthen, O Lord, both my soul and body.

Is my life any thing but a pilgrimage upon earth to-

wards the new Jerusalem, at which he that sits down, or turns out of the way, can never arrive ?

O Jesus, make me always consider thy blessed example, through how many and great pains, and how little pleasure, thou pressedst on to a bitter death ; because it is the way to a glorious resurrection.

Make me, O my Redeemer, seriously ponder those severe words of thine, " He only that perseveres to the end shall be saved."

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

Fourteenth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } grant me grace to fix { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } my mind on thee. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, }

Jesus, grant me grace to fix my mind on thee ; especially in the time of prayer, when I aspire to converse directly with thee.

Control the wanderings of my mind and the affections of my heart ; repress the power of my spiritual enemies, who could then draw off my mind from heavenly things, to thoughts and imaginations of vanity.

So shall I, with joy and gratitude, behold thee, as my deliverer from all the evils I have escaped, and as my benefactor for all the good I have received or can hope for.

I shall see that thou thy very self art my only good ; and that all other things are but means ordained by thee to make me fix my mind on thee, to make me love thee more, and be eternally happy.

O beloved of my soul, absorb all my thoughts here, that I may become worthy to behold thee for evermore face to face in thy glory.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. *as above*, p. 129.

Fifteenth Petition. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } give me grace to order { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } my life to thee. { Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, }

Jesus, give me grace to order my life to thee, heartily

intending and wisely designing all the operations of my body and soul, for obtaining the reward of thy infinite bliss and eternal felicity.

For what else is this world, but a school to discipline souls, and fit them for the other? And how are they fitted for it but by an eager desire of enjoying God, their only end?

Break my forward spirit, O Jesus; make it humble and obedient; grant me grace to depart hence with a contempt for this world, and with a joyful hope of coming to thee in the next.

Let the memory of thy passion make me cheerfully embrace all occasions of suffering here for thy love; whilst my soul breathes after that blissful life, and immortal glory, which thou hast ordained in heaven for thy servants.

O Jesus, let me frequently and attentively consider, that whatsoever I gain, if I lose thee, all is lost; and whatsoever I lose, if I gain thee, all is gained.

Have mercy on all sinners, O Jesus, I beseech thee; turn their vices into virtues, and making them true observers of thy law, and sincere lovers of thee, bring them to bliss in everlasting glory. Have mercy also on the souls in purgatory, for thy bitter passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious name, Jesus.

"Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."—*Phil.* ii. 8.

Hear these my petitions, O most merciful Saviour, and grant me thy grace so frequently to repeat and consider them, that they may prove easy steps, whereby my soul may climb up to the knowledge, love, and performance of my duty to thee and to my neighbour, through the whole course of my life. Amen.

Morning Prayers.

Make the sign of the cross, saying :

In the name of the  Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created, and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Place yourself in the presence of God.

Most holy and adorable Trinity, one God in three persons, I believe that thou art here present; I adore thee with the deepest humility, and render to thee, with my whole heart, the homage which is due to thy sovereign majesty.

Thank God, and offer yourself to him.

My God, I most humbly thank thee for all the favours thou hast bestowed upon me up to the present moment. I give thee thanks from the bottom of my heart that thou hast created me after thine own image and likeness, that thou hast redeemed me by the precious blood of thy dear Son, and that thou hast preserved me and brought me safe to the beginning of another day. I offer to thee, O Lord, my whole being, and in particular all my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings of this day. I consecrate them all to the glory of thy name, beseeching thee that, through the infinite merits of Jesus Christ, my Saviour, they may all find acceptance in thy sight.

Resolve to avoid sin and to practise holiness.

Adorable Jesus, my Saviour and Master, model of all

perfection, I resolve and will endeavour this day to imitate thy example, to be like thee, mild, humble, chaste, zealous, charitable, and resigned. I will strive to avoid those sins which I have heretofore committed (*here you may name any besetting sin*), and which I sincerely desire to forsake.

Ask the necessary graces.

O my God, thou knowest my weakness, and that I am unable to do any thing good without thee; deny me not, O God, the help of thy grace; give me strength to avoid every thing evil which thou forbiddest, and to practise the good which thou hast commanded; and enable me to bear patiently all the trials which it may please thee to send me.

A Prayer for Relations, Friends, &c.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to grant grace, mercy, and life everlasting to my relations, friends [especially —], and every other person for whom I am bound to pray, or who in any way stand in need of my prayers. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace! Amen.

PATER NOSTER.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

AVE MARIA.

Hail, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

CREDO.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of

heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CONFITEOR.

I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary, ever Virgin, to Blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and to all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly, in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

May Almighty God have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant me  pardon, absolution, and remission of all my sins. Amen.

An Act of Faith.

O my God, I firmly believe all that thou hast revealed, and which the holy Catholic Church proposes to me to be believed, because thou art truth itself, which can neither deceive nor be deceived. In this faith I desire to live and die.

An Act of Hope.

O my God, relying on thy gracious promises, I hope, by the merits of Jesus Christ, for the pardon of my sins

grace to serve thee faithfully in this life by doing the good works which thou hast commanded, and eternal happiness in the world to come ; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

An Act of Love.

O my God, I love thee with my whole heart, and above all things, because thou art infinitely good in thyself and infinitely to be loved ; and for the love of thee I love my neighbour as myself.

An Act of Contrition.

O my God, I repent with my whole heart of having offended thee ; I detest my sins for the love of thee ; I firmly resolve never to offend thee again, and by the help of thy grace to avoid every occasion of sin.

O holiest Virgin, Mother of my God and my especial Patroness, shew thyself my mother, and take me under thy protection this day.

Angel of God, who art my guardian, enlighten, guard, direct, and govern me, who have been committed to thee by the supernal clemency. Amen.

And ye, O holy saints (NN), my chosen and beloved patrons, intercede for me to God, that, by the guidance of his grace, I may love and praise him here, and hereafter, with you, behold his face for all eternity. Amen.

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to life everlasting ; and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

MEMORARE.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known, that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, and sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother ! To thee I come ; be-

fore thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.* O mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me! Amen.

At taking Holy Water.

Purify my heart and lips, O Lord, that I may be worthy to offer up my prayers to thee.

On going into Church.

O Lord, in the multitude of thy mercies, I will enter into thy house, and praise thy holy name.

Evening Prayers.

IN the name of the  Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.

Come, O Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created, and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Our Father. Hail Mary. I believe, &c., p. 140, 141.

1. Place yourself in the presence of God.

O almighty and eternal God, whose majesty filleth heaven and earth, I firmly believe that thou art here present; that thy all-seeing eye is upon me; that thou knowest all things, and art acquainted with the most secret thoughts of my heart. I desire to bow down all the powers of my soul to adore thee; I desire to join my voice with all thy blessed angels and saints, to praise thee and glorify thee now and for ever.

* Here you may make your request.

2. *Give thanks.*

I most heartily thank thee, O Lord, for all thy mercies and blessings bestowed upon me and upon thy whole Church; and particularly for those I have received from thee this day, in watching over me, and preserving me from the many evils and dangers to which I am exposed. [*Here pause, and meditate on God's mercies.*] Oh, let me never more be ungrateful unto thee, my God, who art so good and gracious unto me.

3. *Ask for light to discover your sins.*

And now, dear Lord, add this one blessing to the rest: that I may clearly discover the sins which I have committed this day, by thought, word, and deed, or by any omission of any part of my duty to thee, to my neighbour, or to myself, that no part of my guilt may be hidden from my own eyes, but that I may see my sins, and may hate them as I ought.

Examine your conscience, and consider where and in what company you have been this day. Call to mind the sins committed against God, your neighbour, or yourself.

4. *An Act of Contrition.*

O heavenly Father, I acknowledge and confess, and am heartily sorry for, all the sins of my past life, and of this day in particular. I grieve from the bottom of my heart that I have been so ungrateful to thee for thy benefits, and have so often offended thee, my God and my chief good. Spare me, I beseech thee, by the death and love of Jesus Christ thy Son; and mercifully forgive me whatsoever sins I have this day, or heretofore, committed against thee, my neighbour, or myself.

5. *A Resolution of Amendment.*

O almighty God, I firmly resolve, here in thy presence, and before the whole company of heaven, to live henceforth in more strict obedience to thy commandments. I resolve to keep a closer watch over myself; to correct

my evil habits ; to attend more diligently to my duties ; to avoid more carefully all sin, and whatever may lead to it.

But without thy assistance, O Lord, there is no strength in man. Thou, therefore, who makest me to will that which is good, give me also the power to perform it. Grant that I may live a pious life in this world, and praise thee for ever with thy saints in the world to come. Accept, O Lord, this my evening sacrifice, and let it ascend as incense in thy sight.

O my good angel, whom God has appointed to be my guardian, enlighten and protect me, direct and govern me, this night. Amen.

O Lord, help us with thy grace when we are awake, and defend us by thy power while we are asleep ; that, whether we wake or sleep, the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ may be with us.

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this habitation, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy. Let thy holy angels dwell therein to preserve us in peace ; and let thy blessing be always upon us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Almighty God be our guardian and our comforter ; may he keep far from us bad dreams and vain imaginations, and preserve us pure in body and soul.

We fly to thy refuge, O holy Mary, and we implore thy aid. Turn thine eyes of compassion upon us, thy children, and protect us this night. Be to us always our most loving mother, and pour down upon us thy maternal benediction, O blessed, O sweetest Mary !

O you, my holy patrons, and all ye saints of God, pray for us, and obtain for us a quiet night and a happy death.

Bless, O Lord, the repose I am about to take, that my bodily strength being renewed, I may be the better enabled to serve thee.

And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

An Universal Prayer for all things necessary to salvation.

O my God, I believe in thee; do thou strengthen my faith. All my hopes are in thee; do thou secure them. I love thee; teach me to love thee daily more and more. I am sorry that I have offended thee; do thou increase my sorrow.

I adore thee as my first beginning; I aspire after thee as my last end. I give thee thanks as my constant benefactor; I call upon thee as my sovereign protector.

Vouchsafe, O my God, to conduct me by thy wisdom, to restrain me by thy justice, to comfort me by thy mercy, to defend me by thy power.

To thee I desire to consecrate all my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings; that henceforward I may think of thee, speak of thee, refer all my actions to thy greater glory, and suffer willingly whatever thou shalt appoint.

Lord, I desire that in all things thy will may be done, because it is thy will, and in the manner that thou willest.

I beg of thee to enlighten my understanding, to inflame my will, to purify my body, and to sanctify my soul.

Give me strength, O my God, to expiate my offences, to overcome my temptations, to subdue my passions, and to acquire the virtues proper for my state.

Fill my heart with tender affection for thy goodness, hatred of my faults, love of my neighbour, and contempt of the world.

Let me always remember to be submissive to my superiors, condescending to my inferiors, faithful to my friends, and charitable to my enemies.

Assist me to overcome sensuality by mortification, avarice by alms-deeds, anger by meekness, and tepidity by devotion.

O my God, make me prudent in my undertakings, courageous in dangers, patient in affliction, and humble in prosperity.

Grant that I may be ever attentive at my prayers, temperate at my meals, diligent in my employments, and constant in my resolutions.

Let my conscience be ever upright and pure, my exterior modest, my conversation edifying, and my comportment regular.

Assist me, that I may continually labour to overcome nature, to correspond with thy grace, to keep thy commandments, and to work out my salvation.

Discover to me, O my God, the nothingness of this world, the greatness of heaven, the shortness of time, and the length of eternity.

Grant that I may prepare for death; that I may fear thy judgments, that I may escape hell, and in the end obtain heaven; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.

Debotions for Confirmation.

Before Confirmation, it is proper to make a preparation of some days by frequent and fervent prayer, especially by devout acts of sorrow and contrition (for which purpose the Psalm Miserere may be also used), and by repeated invocations of the Holy Ghost in the hymn Veni Creator Spiritus, or Veni Sancte Spiritus, p. 153.

The Litany of the Holy Ghost may be also used daily.

Prayer for obtaining right Dispositions for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

O my God, through thy great mercy, I have received three of thy most holy sacraments; the first to make me thy child, the second to efface the stains which sin had made in my soul, the third to unite me with thy divine Son. Grant, then, I beseech thee, that the sacrament which I am now preparing to receive, may avail to the making me a perfect Christian; that it may give me strength and courage to combat my evil habits, to overcome all my temptations, to conform myself perfectly to thy law, and to become a true soldier of Jesus Christ,

ready to suffer any thing rather than renounce his holy religion, and to maintain it, if need be, even at the peril of my life. This I most earnestly beseech thee, O my God, through the merits of thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost.

O almighty and eternal God, thou hast vouchsafed to adopt me for thy child in the holy sacrament of Baptism; thou hast granted me the remission of my sins at the tribunal of penance; thou hast made me to sit at thy holy table, and hast fed me with the bread of angels; perfect in me, I beseech thee, all these benefits. Grant unto me the spirit of Wisdom, that I may despise the perishable things of this world, and love the things that are eternal; the spirit of Understanding, to enlighten me and to give me the knowledge of religion; the spirit of Counsel, that I may diligently seek the surest ways of pleasing God and obtaining heaven; the spirit of Fortitude, that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation; the spirit of Knowledge, that I may be enlightened in the ways of God; the spirit of Piety, that I may find the service of God both sweet and amiable; the spirit of Fear, that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God, and may dread in any way to displease him. Seal me, in thy mercy, with the seal of a disciple of Jesus Christ, unto everlasting life; and grant that, carrying the cross upon my forehead, I may carry it also in my heart, and confessing thee boldly before men, may merit to be one day reckoned in the number of thy elect. Amen.

Prayer for the Twelve Fruits of the Holy Ghost.

O Holy Spirit, Eternal Love of the Father and the Son, vouchsafe to grant unto me, I beseech thee, the fruit of Charity, that I may be united to thee by divine love; the fruit of Joy, that I may be filled with a holy

consolation ; the fruit of Peace, that I may enjoy inward tranquillity of soul ; the fruit of Patience, that I may endure humbly every thing that may be opposed to my own desires ; the fruit of Benignity, that I may willingly relieve the necessities of my neighbour ; the fruit of Goodness, that I may be benevolent towards all ; the fruit of Longanimity, that I may not be discouraged by delay, but may persevere in prayer ; the fruit of Mildness, that I may subdue every rising of evil temper, stifle every murmur, and repress the susceptibilities of my nature, in all my dealings with my neighbour ; the fruit of Fidelity, that I may rely, with assured confidence, on the word of God ; the fruit of Modesty, that I may order my exterior regularly ; the fruits of Continency and Chastity, that I may keep my body in such holiness as becometh thy temple, so that, having by thy assistance, preserved my heart pure on earth, I may merit, in Jesus Christ, according to the words of the Gospel, to see God eternally in the glory of his kingdom. Amen.

Acts before Confirmation.

An Act of Faith.—O Holy Spirit, I firmly believe that I am about to receive thee in the sacrament of Confirmation. I believe it because thou hast said it, and thou art the Truth itself.

An Act of Hope.—Relying on thy infinite goodness, O Holy and Sanctifying Spirit, I confidently hope, that, receiving thee in the sacrament of Confirmation, I shall receive the abundance of thy graces. I trust in thee that thou wilt make me a perfect Christian, and that thou wilt give me strength to confess the faith, even at the peril of my life.

An Act of Charity.—I love thee, O Holy Spirit, with all my heart, and with all my soul, above all things, because thou art infinitely good and worthy to be loved. Kindle in my heart the fire of thy love ; and grant that, having received thee in the sacrament of Confirmation

I may faithfully perform all the duties of my state, to the end of my life.

A Prayer before Confirmation.

O God of infinite goodness, receive, I beseech thee, my most humble and hearty thanks, for all the favours which thou hast bestowed upon me, from the very moment of my birth; particularly for that thou hast been pleased to rank me among those who are now about to be set apart and consecrated to thee by the sacrament of Confirmation. Thou offerest me the greatest of thy gifts; thou art about to seal my soul with the sacred character of a soldier of Jesus Christ, and to send thy Holy Spirit down upon me, that he may abide within me continually. O my good and merciful Father, encouraged by such special marks of predilection, I venture to implore, with humble confidence that thou wouldst thyself infuse into my heart all the dispositions necessary for its becoming the habitation of such a guest. Alas! O my God, I am far from possessing those sentiments of faith, love, humility, and fervour, which ought now to animate my soul; but all things are possible with thee, and thou hast promised to give to them that ask. I most sincerely detest all the sins of my whole life; every fault, every imperfect inclination, which may be an obstacle to the graces which thou desirest to bestow on thy unworthy child. Vouchsafe, O my God, to purify my soul from every stain, by the infinite merits of the death and passion of thy dear Son. I most sincerely resolve to serve thee faithfully all the days of my life; but, of myself, I am unable to do that which I desire and resolve to do; therefore I beseech thee to impart to me the graces of thy Holy Spirit, that, like the Apostles, I may be endued with strength from on high, and inspired with courage and resolution, to prove myself the disciple of thy Son. I ardently desire to receive this most precious gift; but do thou, O God,

render my desire still stronger and more ardent, and accept, I beseech thee, on my behalf, the fervent desires that animated the heart of the Blessed Virgin and the holy Apostles on the day of Pentecost, and let their perfect dispositions supply in all things my deficiencies, through Christ our Lord, who, with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever liveth and reigneth God, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer for the Renewal of the Grace of Confirmation.

(It may be used also on the Anniversary of the Day.)

O my Lord and my God, I have received, through thy mercy, the holy sacrament of Confirmation; preserve, I beseech thee, in my soul, and renew therein continually, the powerful effects of this divine ordinance, that I may be enabled henceforth to perform all its obligations, and to live according to the spirit of a true and perfect Christian. I have been enlisted into thy heavenly army, and have received the character of a soldier of Jesus Christ: grant that, always and in all places, I may prove myself the faithful servant of him, in whom dwelleth all the fulness of the Spirit, and, shedding forth the odour of a holy life, may edify my neighbour by my good example. Grant, I most humbly beseech thee, that neither the world, nor the customs of the world, may infect my soul with their pernicious maxims, and that its vain flatteries and allurements may never make any impression on my soul. Assist me by thy grace, that I may firmly reject the dangerous solicitations of the worldly, and hearken not to the poisonous discourses of the unbelieving; and may I endeavour, by my counsel and example, to prevent my brethren in the faith from being ensnared by their deceitful words, or falling a prey to their malicious wickedness, ever seeking to draw others to the same abyss of error and destruction. Grant me, O my God, such purity of intention, such true humility and strength of faith, that my whole

heart and mind being raised above all earthly things, and the illusions of a false philosophy, I may seek but thee, put my trust only in thy divine word, and firmly adhere to the decisions of thy Church, which alone can surely guide the learned and the ignorant into the way of truth and everlasting life. Amen.



Hymns.

I.

COME, Holy Ghost, Creator, come,
 From thy bright heavenly throne;
 Come take possession of our souls,
 And make them all thy own.

Thou who art call'd the Paraclete,
 Best gift of God above;
 The living Spring, the living Fire,
 Sweet Unction and true Love.

Thou who art sev'nfold in thy grace,
 Finger of God's right hand;
 His promise teaching little ones
 To speak and understand.

Oh ! guide our minds with thy blest light,
 With love our hearts inflame;
 And with thy strength, which ne'er decays,
 Confirm our mortal frame.

Far from us drive our hellish foe,
 True peace unto us bring;
 And through all perils lead us safe
 Beneath thy sacred wing.

Through thee may we the Father know,
 Through thee th' eternal Son,
 And thee the Spirit of them both,
 Thrice blessed three in one.

All glory to the Father be,
 With his co-equal Son,
 The same to thee, great Paraclete,
 While endless ages run.

II.

COME, Holy Ghost, send down those beams,
 Which sweetly flow in silent streams
 From thy bright throne above.
 Oh, come, thou Father of the poor,
 Oh, come, thou Source of all our store,
 Come, fill our hearts with love.

O thou, of comforters the best,
 O thou, the soul's delightful guest,
 The pilgrim's sweet relief.
Thou art true rest in toil and sweat,
 Refreshment in th' excess of heat,
 And solace in our grief.

Thrice-blessed light, shoot home thy darts,
 And pierce the centre of those hearts
 Whose faith aspires to thee;
 Without thy Godhead nothing can
 Have any price or worth in man,
 Nothing can harmless be.

Lord, wash our sinful stains away,
 Water from heaven our barren clay,
 Our wounds and bruises heal;
 To thy sweet yoke our stiff necks bow,
 Warm with thy fire our hearts of snow,
 Our wandering feet repeat.

Grant to thy faithful, dearest Lord,
 Whose only hope is thy sure word,
 The seven gifts of thy Spirit;
 Grant us in life thy helping grace:
 Grant us at death to see thy face,
 And endless joy inherit. Amen.

III.

PART I.

Jesus! the only thought of Thee,
 With sweetness fills my breast;
 But sweeter far it is to see,
 And on thy beauty feast.

No sound, no harmony so gay,
 Can art or music frame;
 No thoughts can reach, no words can say,
 The sweets of thy blest Name.

Jesus, our hope, when we repent,
 Sweet source of all our grace;
 Sole comfort in our banishment:
 Oh! what when face to face?

Jesus! that Name inspires my mind
 With springs of life and light;
 More than I ask in Thee I find,
 And languish with delight.

No art or eloquence of man
 Can tell the joys of love ;
 Only the saints can understand
 What they in Jesus prove.

PART II.

Thee, then, I'll seek, retired apart,
 From world and business free :
 When these shall knock, I'll shut my heart,
 And keep it all for Thee.

Before the morning light I'll come,
 With Magdalen, to find,
 In sighs and tears, my Jesu's tomb,
 And there refresh my mind.

My tears upon his grave shall flow,
 My sighs the garden fill :
 Then at his feet myself I'll throw,
 And there I'll seek his will.

Jesus ! in thy blessed steps I'll tread,
 And walk in all thy ways ;
 I'll never cease to weep and plead,
 Till I'm restored to grace.

PART III.

O King of Love ! thy blessed fire
 Does such sweet flames excite,
 That first it raises the desire,
 Then fills it with delight.

Thy lovely Presence shines so clear
 Through every sense and way,
 That souls which once have seen Thee near,
 See all things else decay.

Come, then, dear Lord, possess my heart,
 Chase thence the shades of night ;
 Come, pierce it with thy flaming dart,
 And ever-shining light.

Then I'll for ever Jesus sing,
 And with the saints rejoice ;
 And both my heart and tongue shall bring
 Their tribute to my dearest King,
 In never-ending joys.

IV.

HAIL, thou resplendent star
 Which shinest o'er the main;
Blest Mother of our God,
 And ever-virgin Queen.

Hail, happy gate of bliss,
 Greeted by Gabriel's tongue;
Negotiate our peace,
 And cancel Eva's wrong.

Loosen the sinner's bands,
 All evils drive away;
Bring light unto the blind,
 And for all graces pray.

Exert the Mother's care,
 And us thy children own;
To him convey our prayer,
 Who chose to be thy Son,

O pure, O spotless Maid,
 Who meekness all surpass'd,
Our lusts and passions quell,
 And make us mild and chaste.

Preserve our lives unstain'd,
 And guard us in our way;
Until we come to thee,
 To joys that ne'er decay.

Praise to the Father be,
 With Christ, his only Son,
And to the Holy Ghost,
 Thrice blessed three in one. Amen.

Adeste Fideles.

Adeste fideles,	Ye faithful, approach ye,
Læti triumphantes;	Joyfully triumphing; [lehem:
Venite, venite in Bethlehem:	Oh, come ye, oh, come ye, to Beth-
Natum videte	Come and behold ye
Regem angelorum:	Born the King of angels:
Venite adoremus,	Oh, come, let us worship,
Venite adoremus,	Oh, come, let us worship,
Venite adoremus Dominum.	Oh, come, let us worship Christ the Lord.
Deum de Deo,	God of God,
Lumen de lumine,	Light of Light,

Gestant puellæ viscera:
Deum verum,
Genitum, non factum:
Venite adoremus, &c.

Cantet nunc Io!
Chorus angelorum:
Cantet nunc aula cœlestium,
Gloria
In excelsis Deo!
Venite adoremus, &c.

Ergo qui natus
Die hodierna,
Jesu tibi sit gloria.
Patris æterni
Verbum caro factum!
Veneite adoremus, &c.

Lo, He despairs not the Virgin's
womb:
Very God,
Begotten, not created:
Oh, come, let us worship, &c.

Sing, quires angelic,
Io sing exulting;
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven
above,
Glory to God
In the highest!
Oh, come, let us worship, &c.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesu, to Thee be glory giv'n;
Word of the Father
In our flesh appearing:
Oh, come, let us worship, &c.

Ave Verum.

Ave verum Corpus, natum
Ex Maria virgine,
Vere passum, immolatum,
In cruce pro homine.

Cujus latus perforatum
Vero fluxit sanguine.
Esto nobis prægustatum,
Mortis in examine.

O clemens, O pie,
O dulcis Jesu, Fili Mariæ.

Hail to thee, true Body, sprung
From the Virgin Mary's womb;
The same that on the cross was
hung

And bore for man the bitter doom.
Thou whose side was pierc'd, and
flow'd
Both with water and with blood;
Suffer us to taste of thee
In our life's last agony.

O kind, O loving one!
O sweet Jesu, Mary's Son!

Abete te Debete.

O Godhead hid, devoutly I adore thee,
Who truly art within the forms before me;
To thee my heart I bow with bended knee,
As failing quite in contemplating Thee.

Sight, touch, and taste in thee are each deceived;
The ear alone most safely is believed:
I believe all the Son of God has spoken,
Than truth's own word there is no truer token.

God only on the cross lay hid from view ;
 But here lies hid at once the manhood too :
 And I, in both professing my belief,
 Make the same prayer as the repentant thief.

Thy wounds, as Thomas saw, I do not see ;
 Yet thee confess my Lord and God to be :
 Make me believe thee ever more and more ;
 In thee my hope, in thee my love to store.

O thou memorial of our Lord's own dying !
 O living bread, to mortals life supplying !
 Make thou my soul henceforth on thee to live ;
 Ever a taste of heavenly sweetness give.

O loving Pelican ! O Jesu Lord ;
 Unclean I am, but cleanse me in thy blood,
 Of which a single drop, for sinners spilt,
 Can purge the entire world from all its guilt.

Jesu ! whom for the present veil'd I see,
 What I so thirst for, oh, vouchsafe to me :
 That I may see thy countenance unfolding,
 And may be blest thy glory in beholding.

[The following is usually sung after every stanza.]

Jesu, eternal Shepherd ! hear our cry ;
 Increase the faith of all whose souls on thee rely.

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